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THE PATERNAL LINEAGE AND THE
DESCENDANTS OF MYRICK

The Paternal Lineage and the Descendants

of

Myrick Higgins

of

Vermont, Onio, and Iowa

by

his great-great-granddaughter

Anne Farrell Higgins Wood

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Page 28. 192 - J. W. Wilson, born Deep River, Iowa; 193 + C. W. Wilson, born west of Keswick; 194 + K. H. Wilson, born west of Keswick; 195 - Beverley Ann Wilson, born Deep River, Iowa; now a typist in Des Moines

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Page 31. 224 - Sheree S. Stomberg, born March 2, 1956, Minneapolis, Minn.

Page 37. 279 - Richard Hal Wood, born July 2, 1944, Berkeley, California
280 - Marcia Anne Wood, born Dec. 14, 1947, " "
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Page 41. 201 - TED, <u>not</u> Tex Hiawatha Huff Hohenshell

Page 42-b. After the material on page 42, under "TWELFTH GENERATION," but before the "234" entry, should come the following:

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Page 43. (a) under 234, "Virginia Ulrich, daughter of Everett and Ethel Blake Ulrich"
(b) " 238, "Carl F. Klipp, son of Adolph and Marie Klipp"
(c) " 252, "Homer E. Heater, Jr., son of Homer E. Heater, Sr. and Clarice Pearl Lowther"

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Page 39. 193 + CHESTER WELLINGTON WILSON (Zoe Ellen Higgins Wilson[107], Delano[71], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Zoe Ellen Higgins and Charles Wesley Wilson; born December 5, 1924, west of Keswick, Iowa; married, on June 7, 1952, in Lancaster, Missouri, to ROSALINE FLORA HOLLAND, daughter of Silas Asburry Holland (born Lone Tree, Iowa) and Irene Cleo Stout (born Grinnell, Iowa). Rosaline was born in Grinnell, Iowa, on
Chester is a trucker.
Present address: 817 1/2 Commercial St., Grinnell, Iowa

303. Patricia Ann Wilson, Dec. 27, 1953, Grinnell, Iowa

Page 40. 194 KEITH HIGGINS WILSON (Zoe Ellen Higgins Wilson[107], Delano[71], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Zoe Ellen Higgins and Charles Wesley Wilson; born May 14, 1927, west of Keswick, Iowa; married, on January 29, 1950, in Oskaloosa, Iowa, MARVEEN FRANCIS JOHNSON, daughter of Gussie Blanche Stevens (born in New Sharon, Iowa) and Ray Lewis Johnson (born Malcolm, Iowa). Marveen was born in Montezuma, Iowa, on

Present address: Webster, Iowa

304 a. Phyllis Jean Wilson, May 23, 1952, Oskaloosa, Iowa
304 b. Rebecca Lu Wilson, born Nov. 23, 1955, Barnes City, Iowa

PAGE 30-b. 150 Emma Ruth Stroup is the daughter of Dorothy Lee Faris and Earl Edward Ruth, both born in Missouri

PAGE 31. 151 Philip L Stomberg is the son of Carl Henry Stomberg and Anna Helfrida Bengtson, both born near Westergotland, Sweden
Philip was born September 12, 1924, in Wheatland, North Dakota

PAGE 41. 204 THOMAS GOODWIN HIGGINS (Burdette[113], Lafayette, Sr.[73], Decatur[56], Myrick[44], Joseph[37], Ebenezer33, Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Burdette Higgins and Margaret Goodwin, was born September 19, 1919, in Des Moines, Iowa. Married, on March 26, 1950, in Des Moines, ANNA MARIE BENTLEY, daughter of Grover C. Bentley and Bernice Marie Bevington. Anna Marie was born August 23, 1920, in Des Moines, Iowa.

Present address: 1005 Fortieth St., Des Moines

325 (b) Michael Bentley Higgins, born April 29, 1956, in Iowa Methodist Hospital, Des Moines, Iowa

P. 1: Decatur, not Lafayette, was the brother of Warren

P. 20: 70 Effie Higgins Messenger died Keswick, Iowa, July 25, 1956

P. 25: Ammi Nora Davis Higgins died June 30, 1956, Seattle; bur. Clayton, Washington

P. 27: 102 Jesse Chase Higgins, b. Jan. 17, 1888

P. 29: 111 Charles R. Sprague, son of Eli and Drusella Sprague

P. 36: 174 274a: Donna Gayle Higgins, b. Sept. 26, 1956, Chelwelah, Washington

P. 37: 183; 281. John Hal Higgins
282. James Louis Higgins b. Jan. 10, 1953
283. Paul Warren " b. Walnut Creek, Calif.
284. Patrick Sean " b. " " "

P. 41: 201 Alma Naomi Duffield Hohenshell, b. in Center Point, Ia., mar. in San Benito, Texas

P. 43: 252; 338 Richard Eugene Heater, b. July 23, 1956, Arlington, Va.

It is of interest, I think, to explain one reason why the burial places and dates of death of most of the early ancestors are unknown. Graves were deliberately concealed by the colonists, in order that unfriendly Indians might not know when the defensive strength of a settlement was lessened by death. In some settlements, it was customary to locate new graves in well traveled paths, that constant foot traffic might more quickly camouflage the burial places.

PAGE 11--No. 37: Probable date of death for POLLY RAND HIGGINS is June, 1804. The Higgins Bible has an entry giving June, 1803. However, Polly was the mother of Betsy, whose Bible entry and Vermont birth certificate both show her born Nov. 6, 1803. The children of Joseph[37] and Polly Rand Higgins, as listed in the Bible, are as follows:

43+ Joseph, b. April 6, 1787
44- Polly, b. April 10, 1789; died 1789
45- Thomas, b. Nov. 14, 1790; died in infancy
46+ Myrick, b. Feb. 18, 1793
47+ Polly, b. Sept. 10, 1795
48+ Thomas, b. August 24, 1797;
49+ John, b. July 16, 1800
50+ Betsy, b. Nov. 6, 1803

Joseph's 2nd wife was HANNAH AUSTIN, whom he married in August, probably 1804; the Bible entry, giving 1803, was made when Myrick was very elderly, and is undoubtedly in error, since it has the date of Joseph's 2nd marriage coming before the birth of Betsy and the death of Polly Rand Higgins. Hannah Austin Higgins died in 1814. The children of the 2nd marriage were as follows:

51+ Aaron B. Higgins, b. July 24, 1805, Vermont
52+ Lucy Higgins, b. April 22, 1808, Marietta, Ohio
53- Charles Higgins, b. April 20, 1810; died 1810
54+ Jesse Higgins, b. Feb. 9, 1812, Knox Co., Ohio

Joseph Higgins[37] married SARAH CROSS in 1815. Sarah outlived Joseph, and the census of 1850 shows Sarah, aged 80, making her home with her married step-daughter, Betsy Higgins Wilson[50], in Liberty Township, Knox Co., Ohio.

In spite of my mentioning that Joseph[37] was only fourteen years of age in 1776, the war continued until 1781, and Hill's "History of Knox Co., Ohio," published in 1881, states very positively that Joseph served in the War of the Revolution. With this evidence, any descendant of Joseph is eligible for membership in the Sons or Daughters of the American Revolution.

PAGE 13--Last paragraph--HANNAH DAVIS was the daughter of Jacob Davis, who was born in 1762 and died on Dec. 23, 1835

PAGE 14--No. 53: date of Sarah Jane Higgins' birth was definitely February 28, 1820

PAGE 15--No. 54: Joseph's wife was definitely named HELLEN; it is given this way in both the Bible and on her tombstone, both of which I have now seen. Hellen died Nov. 13, 1884; Ira Anderson died July 13, 1901, aged 78 y., 7 m. Both are buried in Paw Paw Cemetery, Ohio, on the original Higgins land grant in Marion Co.

PAGE 17--No. 59: Eliza married SIMEON WEBSTER on July 10, 1858. The date of his birth was March 13, 1837. No. 85: Mary Webster, born April 6, 1860

PAGE 24--No. 94: Mortimer Gross's date of death should be Oct. 24, 1955

PAGE 21--No. 73: "Pet" Brannan Higgins' date of death should be Aug. 11, 1939

PAGE 40--No. 197: Kenneth Morrison is the son of Ellis and Mabel Carpenter Morrison
No. 305-a: Nancy Beth Morrison, born

PAGE 41--No. 206: Date of marriage of John Parrish Higgins and Barbara Ann Barnes--Apr. 9, 1949. They now have twin sons, 326-a, Scott Barnes Higgins and 326-b, Jeffrey Parrish Higgins, born August 14, 1956 in Des Moines, Iowa.

This is the story, so far as I have been able to gather it in three years of effort, of the descendants of Myrick Higgins, great-great-great-great-grandson of Richard Higgins and Lydia Chandler, our pioneer ancestors. Myrick Higgins was born on February 18, 1793, at Corinth, Vermont and died April 18, 1879, in Keokuk County, Iowa. His remains, and those of his wife, Hannah Davis, lie, with those of four generations of their descendants, in Sorden Cemetery in Keokuk County.

All these facts I have come to know during the last three years. Until then, my total knowledge of Higgins family history, aside from my father's occasional remarks about his father and grandfather, was contained on one small slip of paper. The information on that slip of paper was as follows:

"Myrick Higgins, born Feb. 18, 1793 in Vermont, married Hannah Davis, daughter of Joseph Davis, on June 27, 1815. Hannah Davis was born Feb. 15, 1796 in Virginia.

"Warren Higgins, son of Myrick and Hannah Davis Higgins, was born Feb. 17, 1825, in Ohio. On April 14, 1850, he married Marcia Anne Reubens (sp?), who was born in Virginia on April 9, 1832.

"Joseph R. Higgins, son of Warren and Marcia Anne Rubins Higgins, was born March 14, 1857 in Keokuk Co., Iowa. He married Sarah Messenger, born in Virginia, daughter of Salmon Messenger (born in Maryland) and Margaret Hayes."

The above information I had copied from material sent to a cousin, Otis Oliver Higgins, of Hayward, California, by my grandfather, Joseph Rubins Higgins, who had in his home in Sigourney, Iowa, the family Bible which had belonged to Myrick and Hannah, his grandparents.

The general reaction from members of the family when I expressed an interest in family history was that they, too, would like to know more, but had no idea how to go about finding out. Browsing in a used book store in Texas, my father came across a copy of "History of Keokuk County," published in 1890 by Union Historical Co., Des Moines. For several years, this volume sat on my bookshelf before I realized that, aside from the stories of two of my great-grandfathers, it contained sketches on dozens of other relatives. As new names, dates and facts were added to the few shreds of information with which my search had started, that book's value rose tremendously in my opinion.

The very fact that my great-grandfather, Warren Higgins, and his brother, Lafayette Higgins, could not agree, in their sketches in this book, on whether the family had come from England or Ireland, was an indication that the family had probably resided in the new world for quite a long time.

I asked my father for names of relatives who might be able to help, then sought authoritative directions in the volumes of the nearest library. At that time, we were living in Larchmont, New York, and of the two volumes on genealogy on the shelves of the Larchmont library, one proved very helpful. It was "Searching for Your Ancestors," by Gilbert H. Doane, and laid down the basic rules of ancestor searching which have helped me in my hunt.

A New York-to-California drive in 1953 as we started for the Philippines gave me a chance to meet and talk briefly with relatives in Iowa, and to do some cemetery searching in Illinois and Iowa. The foundation had been laid for what has proven to be an intensely interesting and rewarding hobby.

Literally dozens of relatives and friends, unknown to me except through their letters, have given valuable help in gathering the facts about our family. Above all others, I wish to thank my grand-aunt, Effie Higgins Messenger, and Gilbert H. Doane, author of "Searching for Your Ancestors." Aunt Effie has been my living link with Myrick Higgins. She is now ninety-two years old and remembers well the years of her childhood, when her grandparents, Myrick and Hannah Higgins, lived in her parents' home. To me, it has been inspiring to know and correspond with a person who has personal knowledge of individuals born in 1793 and 1796.

Mr. Doane's book gave brief mention of a Higgins ancestor in his own line, which gave me the courage to appeal to him for clues in my search. He very graciously took the trouble to do some searching in the libraries of the University of Wisconsin, of which he is director, and gave me five golden links in the chain of ancestors I'd been piecing together--the five direct forefathers of Joseph Higgins, father of Myrick. This took the story back to Richard Higgins, our immigrant ancestor. With the help of Vermont's well kept records, I think the line has been proven. It was Mr. Doane who first told me of Katharine C. Higgins' "Richard Higgins and His Descendants," and its Supplement, published in 1918 and 1924.

Katharine Higgins' researches dealt largely with those descendants of Richard Higgins who remained in the New England area, as some of them have done now through twelve generations. As was natural, her books traced clearly her own family's line from Richard Higgins. As soon as a woman of the family married, her line was dropped from Katharine Higgins' book. I have tried, in this collection, to carry the stories of Myrick's descendants as far as possible, through female as well as male lines. To Katharine Higgins' researches, I owe a great debt, and would like to express deep appreciation.

In the pages which follow, all information about the family from 1627, when the records reveal that "Richard Higgins, son of Robert Higgins of Leominster in the County of Hereford, mercer, places himself as an apprentice with Philip Ruddock of St. Clemens Lane, London, for the term of seven years from the date given herein, for the term aforesaid, on said day and year, April 23, 1627," till the birth of Myrick, in Vermont, in 1793, is taken from Katharine Higgins' books.

To all who see these pages, I appeal for help in the way of corrections and additions. Only thus can I make the story as complete and as accurate as it should be. Typographical errors, people who have failed to answer requests for information, houses and court houses that have burned with all their records--all these and other things can frustrate the best intentioned researcher.

Because of lack of space, it is impossible for me to give the story of all the descendants of Richard Higgins collateral to our line. For persons who are interested in knowing more of Myrick Higgins' cousins, uncles, aunts, etc., unto the fifth generation, I can only suggest the purchase of Katherine Higgins' two volumes from Goodspeed's Bookshop, 18 Beacon St., Boston, Mass.

For ease of the reader in following any branch of the family from generation to generation, each individual bears a number in the record. A plus sign (+) after an individual's number indicates that he or she married and had children, further information about whom will be found later in the record. An "x" after a person's number indicates that further information about him or her is available in Katherine Higgins' books, but is not included in this record. A minus sign (-) after a person's number indicates that he or she died without issue, or that nothing further about him or her is known.

Immediately following the name of an individual, in the place where his life is sketched, is given, in parentheses, a list of his ancestors or ancestresses of Higgins blood, each with his or her individual number. The list begins with the parent in the Higgins line and goes through grandparent, great-grandparent, etc. to Richard, the immigrant ancestor.

FIRST GENERATION

Examination of English records mentioned in the introduction as showing that Richard Higgins, in 1627, apprenticed himself to a tailor in London, shows that this apprentice did not apply for freemanship in the city of London, to which he would have been entitled on the expiration of his apprenticeship. Nor does this young man appear in any records of London or of his native county of Hereford. As a considerable number of the early settlers of Plymouth were from London, it is not unreasonable to suppose that this young man obtained leave of absence or was released by his master's death and sought to better his condition in the New World. In the records of Plymouth, Mass., it is shown that on April 1, 1634, Richard Higgins of Plymouth, tailor, took Samuel Godberson as his apprentice. It is worth noting that Richard Higgins of Plymouth took his apprentice in the very month in which the seven years' term mentioned in the London record given above expired.

A birth date of 1613 would accord well with known facts about Richard Higgins of Plymouth, who came to Plymouth about 1632, a young unmarried man. His marriage to LYDIA CHANDLER would have occurred in 1634, when Richard was twenty-one.

There is a second story of Richard Higgins' background given in Katherine Higgins' book, one upon which she convincingly casts doubt. This second story of Richard was gathered by a Mrs. Frank S. Smith (nee Clara Alzina Hapgood Higgins) of New York and published by Mr. Orra E. Monnette in The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record, vol. xlvi, pp. 389, 390; vol. xlvii, pp. 20-32. For further details, I again refer you to "Richard Higgins, a Resident and Pioneer Settler at Plymouth and Eastham, Massachusetts, and at Piscataway, New Jersey," by Mrs. Katharine Chapin Higgins.

Richard Higgins was born in England. Nothing is known of his childhood and youth, nor of the causes which led him to migrate to New England. How he reached Plymouth is unknown. It has been said that he arrived there in the ship Anne in 1623 in company with Nicholas Snow. Mrs. Higgins very much doubted this version, for Richard Higgins' name was not among those "Anne" passengers to whom lands were assigned in the autumn of that year.

The most probable view is that Richard Higgins was a passenger on one of the several ships which arrived at Salem, Mass., during the years 1629-32, most of whose passengers afterward settled in Plymouth. He arrived at Plymouth in time to raise or to purchase some corn of the crop of 1633. He was then apparently a man of full age, possessing a trade,--that of a tailor,--but no family. On Oct. 7, 1633, he bought of "Thomas Little his now dwelling howse and misted, for and in consideration of twenty-one bushels of merchantable corne, whereof twelve bushels to be pd in hand, the remainder at harvest next ensuing." March 1, 1633 (six or seven months later), he was taxed 9 shillings, and on March 27, 1634, he was taxed 12 shillings in corn, or two bushels. In 1633 or 1634 he was admitted freeman, that is qualified to serve as a deputy and to vote for officials of the Colony government. On April 1, 1634, Samuel Godberson, son of Godbert Godberson, of New Plymouth, deceased,

was duly apprenticed to Richard Higgins, tailor, for the term of seven years from April 1, 1634. Samuel was a ward of the colony, and Bradford agreed to deliver to Higgins "six bushels of corne and a cowe calfe this present year or the next."; Higgins was to deliver to said Samuel the calf and half her increase at the expiration of the term of seven years.

Having now a house and twenty acres of land, and being a tailor with an apprentice, Richard Higgins paid court to LYDIA CHANDLER, daughter of Edmund Chandler, of Duxbury and Scituate. She was favorable to his suit, and on December 11, 1634, they were married.

There is no record to show whether LYDIA CHANDLER, first wife of RICHARD HIGGINS, was living in 1645 or not, but probably she was living and accompanied him to Nauset. She was, however, deceased by 1650.

John Yates and his wife Mary (maiden name unknown) were of Duxbury, where their son John was born August 15, 1650. They soon removed to Eastham, where John, the father, died in 1651. RICHARD HIGGINS and MRS. MARY YATES found themselves congenial, and in October, 1651, they were married. There were now three boys in the Higgins household, Jonathan and Benjamin, sons of Richard Higgins, and John Yates, a little more than a year old. To these in due course of time several more were added. Mrs. Mary Higgins was destined to survive her second husband, and to marry a third, whom she also survived.

The records of Plymouth, Eastham and Piscataway indicate that Richard Higgins was a good citizen, well regarded by his fellow colonists. He served often as juryman, selectman, for oversight and disposal of poor children, committees for Courts, etc., and was frequently mentioned as being engaged in the acquisition or disposal of land. By 1667, there is note of his son, Benjamin, serving on a jury of inquest as to deaths of several men by drowning. Deeds show that Richard Higgins alienated most of his land in Eastham during the early part of the summer of 1669, Katharine Higgins supposed that he removed to Barnstable to commence his journey to New Jersey, either by land or sea, about this time.

The causes of his removal can only be conjectured. Religious and political differences with his fellow townsmen at Eastham do not seem to have been a factor. Eastham offered but a limited amount of land, and by 1669 a considerable number of men had entered the town, and their numerous sons were now competing for the tillable land. Richard Higgins' eldest sons, Jonathan and Benjamin, had arrived at manhood and were rearing families of their own. They were likely to need all the land Richard had acquired. Richard's younger children were numerous and must be provided for. Probably he and they yearned for a less rigorous climate and a more fertile soil than the outer side of Cape Cod afforded.

It is known that in 1672 or 1673 Richard Higgins took the oath of allegiance to the new Dutch government. On June 1, 1675, Richard Higgins had been deceased some little time, for on that date Benjamin Higgins petitioned the Court at Plymouth for some share in the lands at Saconnet, which his father had not received and had been therein wronged, as the Court admitted. A careful search was made unsuccessfully in recent years to find the will or a record of the will of Richard Higgins. He left a will, for in more than one record his widow Mary is called executrix and his son Eliakim Higgins is called executor.

CHILDREN OF RICHARD HIGGINS

By first wife, Lydia Chandler:

2 x Jonathan, born July, 1637, at Plymouth; married (a) Elizabeth Rogers; (b) Hannah Rogers; died at unknown date, after May 21, 1711

3 + Benjamin, born July, 1640, at Plymouth

By second wife, Mary ( ) Yates:

4 x Mary, born Sept. 27, 1652; married Samuel Oliver

5 x Eliakim, born Oct. 20, 1654, at Eastham; married Alice Newbold

6 x Jediah (also Jadiah, Judiah), born March 5, 1656-7 at Eastham; married Mary Newbold

7 x Zerah, born June, 1658, at Eastham; married Elizabeth Oliver

8 x Thomas, born January, 1661-2, at Eastham; married Elizabeth Hull

9 - Lydia, born July, 1664, at Eastham; probably died young or unmarried

10 x Rebecca, born about 1666, at Eastham; married Thomas Martin

11 x Ruth, born about 1668, at Eastham, but possibly at Piscataway; married (a) Isaac FitzRandolph; (b) Stephen Tuttle

12 x Sarah, born about 1670, at Piscataway; married Samuel Moore, 2d

SECOND GENERATION

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BENJAMIN HIGGINS, (Richard[1]), was born July, 1640, at Plymouth; "deceased on ye 14th of March, 1690-1," at Eastham; married Dec. 24, 1661, LYDIA BANGS, born -----; died after Feb. 13, 1706-7; daughter of Edward and Lydia (Hicks) Bangs of Eastham.

Benjamin Higgins resided at Eastham, probably on lands which had belonged to his father at Pochet, now in East Orleans. On March 2, 1668-9, he was sued at law by Peregrine White for damages of sixteen pounds for not paying a debt due him, the said White. The parties came to an agreement, and the suit was withdrawn. On June 1, 1675, he was one of the jury in a trial which had momentous consequences, and an account of it may be interesting. In 1662 Massasoit, Sachem of the Wampanoags, the faithful friend of the Pilgrims, with whom he had kept peace and friendship for forty-one years, was gathered to his fathers. Two sons survived him, Wamsutta and Metacom, to whom the names Alexander and Philip had been given at their own request. Alexander succeeded his father as sachem, and his sudden death in 1662 gave the Indians suspicion that he had been poisoned by the English. His brother Philip, then about twenty-three years of age and by nature less inclined than his brother to accept a position of dependence, succeeded him. A policy of conciliation might have won his good will, but the constant nagging to which he was subjected increased his resentment and nurtured in him a sullen distrust. The attitude and measures of Plymouth Colony were arbitrary and high-handed and were admirably adapted to bring about the very state of affairs they were intended to forestall. For a dozen years Philip was intriguing and preparing for war. The least suspicion of intrigue could not long escape the notice of those Indian converts who kept the authorities well informed of all that went on. There had been living among the Wampanoags at Nemasket (near Middleborough) the daughter of whose chief he had married, an Indian convert of the Rev. John Eliot's, named Sassamon, a Natick, "a cunning and plausible man" Hubbard calls him. This man had accompanied Philip to Boston as interpreter after the death of Alexander and served him for some time after, but having, it is said, been found guilty of some offense, had again professed Christianity. Associated with Philip on familiar terms, he

claimed to have received the sachem's confidences, and betrayed them to the English under pledge of secrecy. His information was not at first much regarded, but Philip, learning in advance of a summons, made haste to Plymouth to free himself from suspicion, and was allowed to return. In the spring of the following year (1675) the dead body of Sassamon was discovered in Assowomset Pond. An investigation led to the belief that Sassamon had been killed while fishing during the winter and his body thrown under the ice. Three Indians were arrested on the evidence of an Indian who claimed to have been an eye-witness of the affair. The three Wampanoags were convicted by a white jury to which had been added several friendly Indians, and executed, utterly denying their guilt, yet the last of them did confess that the other Indians did really murder John Sassamon, and that he himself, though no actor in it, was yet a looker-on. The trial and execution of the three Indians aroused the Wampanoag warriots to madness, and they at once began hostilities.

Thus indirectly BENJAMIN HIGGINS was one of the immediate causes of the outbreak known in history as King Philip's War. That he was a soldier in the contest is probable in general, and is proved by his inventory, which shows that he possessed the equipment of a trooper, and by the grant to his grandson, Jedidiah Higgins, of a share in Narragansett Township No. 7, now the town of Gorham, Maine. These grants were made only to the direct heirs or descendants of men who had served in King Philip's War.

June 1, 1675, the General Court of Plymouth Colony took the following action: "In answare to a petition prefered to the Court by Benjamine Higgens in the right of his father deceased, to be accommodated with land at Saconett (now Little Compton, R. I.) with the p'tenors and servants there, the Court, generally conceiving that the said Richard Higgins had wronge in that he was not accommodated in the said land with the rest, severall of the p-tenors being p'sent did engage before the Court that in case the petitioner shall and doe make his adresse to the rest of the companie interested in those lands, that they will p'swade them that altho hee can not be supplyed out of the devided land of it, that he may bee competently supplyed in the undevided land thereof."

CHILDREN OF BENJAMIN HIGGINS

13 + Ichabod, born Nov. 14, 1662; married Melatiah Hamblen (?)
14 x Richard, born Oct. 15, 1664; married Sarah Hamblen (?)
15 - John, born Nov. 20, 1666; died June 13, 1689
16 x Joshua, born Oct. 1, 1668; married (a) Elizabeth Smith; (b) Priscilla Bixby; (c) Mary Baker
17 - Lydia, born "latter end of May, 1670"; living June 24, 1691
18 x Isaac, born August 31, 1672; married Lydia Collins
19 - Rebecca, born June 14, 1674; died March, 1675
20 x Samuel, born March 7, 1676-7; married (a) Hannah Colo; (b) Thankful Mayo; (c) Elizabeth Harding
21 x Benjamin, born Sept. 15, 1681; married (a) Sarah Freeman; (b) Mercy Hopkins

THIRD GENERATION

13

ICHABOD HIGGINS (Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), born Nov. 14, 1662, at Eastham; died there

June 1, 1728; married (date not found) MELATIAH HAMBLEN (?), born July 1, 1668; died March 28, 1744, at Eastham.

Ichabod Higgins resided at Eastham all his life and was a farmer. He was also a considerable land owner and some of the deeds of land he bought are still in existence. The site of his first homestead, bought prior to his marriage, is probably indicated by the following: (Katharine Higgins' book then gives in full the deed to a piece of land purchased by Ichabod from Daniel Cole of Eastham on March 17, 1689-90, and other deeds).

"The last deed shows that Ichabod Higgins was a wheelwright as well as a farmer. This occupation carried with it blacksmith's work also, and we find that Ichabod's son Thomas was a blacksmith. Ichabod was a freeman of the Colony and in February, 1707-8, was a townsman of Eastham. On March 17, 1700-1, it is recorded that he was chosen grand juryman. In May, 1725, Mr. Ichabod Higgins' house was one of the places appointed by the town for sheep shearing. This house was not located on the land he bought of Daniel Cole in 1690, but at a place called Wesset or Weset, and is located by an old deed."

CHILDREN OF ICHABOD BORN AT EASTHAM

22 x John, born June 8, 1692; married Hannah Mayo
23 x Nathaniel, born June 1, 1694; married (a) Elizabeth Atwood; (b) Sarah Walker
24 - Thankful, born August 24, 1696; married April 15, 1714, James Robens or Robbins, son of John Robens of Harwich and brother of Samuel Robens of the same town. (This relationship is proved by a deed in the Nye collection, dated Oct. 13, 1713, wherein Samuel Robens conveys to James Robens land in Harwich which he had of his father, John Robens, in return for the release from the obligation to maintain their father and mother, which had been Samuel's but was then assumed by James.) James Robens died in 1717. Child: Joseph, born May 5, 1714
25 - Lydia, born April 13, 1698; died unmarried before Feb. 23, 1744-5
26 + Ebenezer, born April 15, 1701; married (a) Abigail Cole; (b) Content Harding; (c) Mrs. Phoebe Snow
27 x Thomas, born -----; married Sarah Vickery

FOURTH GENERATION

26

EBENEZER HIGGINS (Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), born April 15, 1701, at Eastham; son of Ichabod Higgins and Melatiah Hamblen; died in Eastham, probably about 1778-9; married (a) Oct. 5, 1721, ABIGAIL COLE; married (b) Dec. 25, 1769 or 1770, MRS. CONTENT HARDING; married (c) Feb. 20, 1776, MRS. PHOEBE SNOW.

Ebenezer Higgins was always a resident of Eastham. March 10, 1730-1, he was chosen surveyor of highways. March 4, 1733-4, elected and sworn fence viewer; June 24, 1747, appointed to seek out a suitable person to preach in the South Precinct; March 19, 1754, chosen to procure wood for Rev. Mr. Cheever; in 1758 elected assessor; also to procure wood for Rev. Joseph Crocker; in 1761 chosen "negative man" and re-elected March 6, 1764.

Ebenezer Higgins was a large land owner in Eastham. This is shown by several old deeds, and these probably do not show all the real estate he owned.

The will of Ebenezer Higgins, dated June 7, 1771, is in possession of descendants in Attleboro, Mass. It names wife Content and all the children here given except Asenath. It was never probated and there is nothing on the records at Barnstable to show that Ebenezer's estate was ever before the Probate Court.

Descendants claim that Abigail Cole, wife of Ebenezer Higgins, was a daughter of Joseph and Constance (Hopkins) Cole and so a descendant of Stephen Hopkins of the Mayflower, 1620, but no record supporting the claim has been discovered.

CHILDREN OF EBENEZER HIGGINS BORN AT EASTHAM

28 x Cornelius, born July 21, 1722; married (a) Sarah Hawes; (b) Mrs. Mary Smith
29 - Experience, born March 23, 1723-4; married May 11, 1749, David Brown
30 - Asenath, born July 6, 1726; married May 11, 1749, James Atwood, Jr.
Child: Barnabas, born Feb. 19, 1740 (probably means 1750), at Eastham.
31 x Isaiah, born April 5, 1727; married (a) Joanna or Anna Mayo; (b) Huldah Hickman
32 x Elkanah, born Nov. 12, 1729; married Sarah Knowles
33 + Ebenezer, born June 26, 1731; married Elizabeth Merrick

FIFTH GENERATION

33

EBENEZER HIGGINS, JR. (Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), born June 26, 1731, at Eastham, Mass.; died at Jamaica, Vt., October 13, 1818, "aged 88 years"; married Feb. 20, 1755, at Eastham, ELIZABETH MERRICK, born in 1732; died at Jamaica, Vt., July 8, 1820, "aged 88 years."

This Ebenezer Higgins was known in Eastham as Ebenezer, 3d. He was constable at Eastham in 1768 and ten years later held some town office. In 1778 he is called Ebenezer, Jr., probably because Ebenezer[26], his father, had died in the interval. In 1781 and 1783, held town office and in 1791 is mentioned on the town records. In 1790 he was the only Ebenezer Higgins then in Eastham and his family included besides himself and wife, two sons over sixteen, one under sixteen and two daughters. His sons Joseph and Ephraim were in 1790 settled at Jamaica and their father followed them thither at some time after 1790. He lived on the South Hill in Jamaica, west of the farm of his son, Ephraim.

CHILDREN OF EBENEZER HIGGINS, JR. BORN AT EASTHAM

34 x Zoheth, born April 8, 1756; married Susannah Knowles
35 x Ichabod, born August 27, 1759; married Elizabeth Young
36 - Tamzin, born June 12, 1760. So recorded; probably 1764 intended
37 + Joseph, born January 9, 1762; in 1790 he was living at Jamaica, Vt., with a wife and two children; married at Chelsea, Mass., Feb. 19, 1786, POLLY RAND
38 - Cornelius, born May 30, 1766
39 - Lucy, born July 30, 1768; married Dec. 30, 1789, Paine Snow

40 x Ephraim, born July 25, 1771; married (a) Nabby Shepardson
(b) Hope Brimhall
41 - Abraham, born Feb. 3, 1773; said to have died at sea
42 x David, born Dec. 3, 1776; married (a) Eunice Steele; (b) ---- ----

SIXTH GENERATION

37

JOSEPH HIGGINS (Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), born January 9, 1762, at Eastham, Mass.

At the time that I first appealed to Mr. Gilbert H. Doane to learn whether he knew any facts which would help me carry the family story to a time previous to the birth of Myrick, I knew, from Myrick's birth certificate, that his father was Joseph Higgins. My first letter from Mr. Doane I quote:

"The Doane Family', by A. A. Doane, will not help you in your problem of solving the ancestry of your Myrick Higgins. However, I believe that I have found the solution for you, but you'll have to find the proof for yourself.

"In the genealogy of the Richard Higgins Family (the author is Mrs. K. C. Higgins and the title is: RICHARD HIGGINS: A RESIDENT AND PIONEER SETTLER OF PLYMOUTH AND EASTHAM, MASS., AND PISCATAWAY, N. J., AND HIS DESCENDANTS (1918), p. 160-1 there is an account of the family of Ebenezer and Elizabeth (Merrick) Higgins of Eastham, Mass., and Jamaica, Vt. His children were Zoheth (a son), Ichabod, Tamzin, Joseph, Cornelius, Lucy (married Paine Snow), Ephraim, Abraham and David. Joseph, born 9 Jan., 1762, mar. in Chelsea, Mass., 19 Feb. 1786, POLLY RAND of Charlestown, Mass. They were living in Jamaica, Windham Co., Vt., in 1791, with two children, a boy and a girl. Later Ebenezer and at least two of his other sons moved to Jamaica. In 1800 a Joseph Higgins was living in Corinth, Orange Co., Vt., with a family of 1 boy over 10, 3 boys under 10, and a girl under 10. I believe that this is the same family, and that your Myrick (the name could be spelled Merrick or Myrick) was the second (or third) son in this family and was called by his grandmother's maiden name. The line back to Richard Higgins, the immigrant, is given in the genealogy.

"Since writing the above, I've gone back over to the Historical Society and looked at the supplement to the Richard Higgins Genealogy, and there, p. 17, I find a list of the children of Joseph of Corinth. Myrick is the second son, born as you gave it, 18 Feb. 1793. But there is not any ancestry for his father Joseph. However, I feel confident that Ebenezer and Elizabeth (Merrick or Myrick) Higgins were his parents, and that somehow you will find proof. . . . . Polly Rand's parentage is not disclosed in Wyman's Charlestown, Mass., but I suspect that she was the daughter of Nathaniel and Hephzibah (Larkin) Rand, b. 13 Mar. 1764 in Charlestown."

With this information to work on, I wrote to the probate court and vital statistics authorities of Vermont, and learned from Vera S. Rand, Judge of the Probate Court, District of Westminster, Bellows Falls, Vt., the following:

"I wrote to the Town Clerk of Corinth, Vt. for information in regard to Joseph's Birth Certificate which might give the name of his father and mother on the Certificate and received the following:

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Joseph Higgins and Polly, his wife

Joseph Higgins	born	April 6, 1787
Myrick Higgins	"	Feb. 18, 1793
Polly Higgins	"	Sept. 10, 1796
Thomas Higgins	"	Aug. 24, 1798
John Higgins	"	July 6, 1800
Betsy Higgins	"	Nov. 6, 1803

This is all I find in the records. There is no mention of the birth place of the Father Joseph.

Viola M. Hastings, Town Clerk'

"It would appear that this Joseph had six children born in Corinth, Vt. and he must have moved to Corinth sometime prior to 1787 or prior to 1790 as mentioned in your letter."

My aunt, Effie Higgins Messenger, who so well remembers the years in which her grandparents, Myrick and Hannah Davis Higgins, lived in her childhood home, supplied further information:

"My grandfather had five brothers and three sisters. Their names, Joseph, Thomas, Rand, Myrick, John and Jessie. Jessie (Jesse (?) was a half brother to the others. The sisters were Betsey (Betsy on her birth certificate) Wilson, Polly Megee (Magee?), Lucy Colony. Betsey lived somewhere in Missouri, Polly in Ohio, Lucy somewhere in Iowa. Don't know the dates of any of them. Grandfather talked this over with Grandmother when I was a little girl. That is the way I found it out. They lived at our house all there (sic) lives untill they died. There is no records only what they told me and heard them talk."

In another letter, Aunt Effie wrote, "I think Polly Rand was Joseph Higgins' wife for sure. One of their sons was named Rand Higgins, so I think that will straighten it out for you. If you had doubts of it."

The fact that the town records show Joseph Higgins and wife, Polly Rand, living in Jamaica, Windham Co., Vt. in 1791, with two children, a boy and a girl, would tend to prove that Lucy, the only daughter whose birth certificate does not appear in Corinth records, was born in 1788, 1789, 1790 or 1791, thus making her Myrick's only older sister.

Alas, Vermont records have not shown the births of Rand, Jesse, or Lucy. At that time, however, before the age of social security, passports, etc., records were frequently skimpy, and we have no way of knowing what happened in the six year interval between the birth of Joseph in 1787 and the birth of Myrick in 1793. Certainly, other babies came closer together, with Corinth, Vt. records showing children born to this family in 1796, 1798, 1800 and 1803. Effie Higgins Messenger's knowledge of family history has been dependable in all other details, and we can only hope some time to find other traces of these children. The thought occurs that the children unaccounted for in Corinth may have been born elsewhere in Vermont, en route to Ohio in 1806, or after arrival in Ohio. Aunt Effie says all were born in Vermont; so far, Vermont records showing the death of Polly Rand Higgins, Joseph's remarriage, or these three births have not been found by this seeker. Certainly, the fact that Myrick had a brother named Rand would be excellent evidence to indicate that Joseph, son of Ebenezer[33] and husband of Polly Rand, was the same Joseph Higgins who was father of Myrick. I shall surely welcome any more information in support or denial of this, which seems to me now a proven fact.

JOSEPH HIGGINS (Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), born January 9, 1762, at Eastham, Mass. Married POLLY RAND, of Charlestown, Mass. at Chelsea, Mass. on Feb. 19, 1786. She was probably the daughter of Nathaniel and Hephzibah Larkin Rand, born March 13, 1764 in Charlestown, Mass. When and where Polly Rand Higgins died, I have been unable to ascertain. The fact that Myrick had a younger half-brother, however, gives evidence that Joseph outlived Polly and remarried. Aunt Effie's assurance that all the children were born in Vermont indicates that Polly Rand Higgins died there and Joseph remarried there. What the name of the second wife was, I have no clue. I hope that a search of Ohio records at some future date will help to clear up this question.

43 - Joseph Higgins, born April 6, 1787 at Corinth, Vermont
44 - Lucey Higgins, born
married Colony; lived in Iowa
45 + Myrick Higgins, born Feb. 18, 1793 at Corinth, Vermont
46 - Polly Higgins, born Sept. 10, 1796, Corinth, Vt.; married Megee
(Magee?), lived in Ohio
47 - Thomas Higgins, born Aug. 24, 1798, Corinth, Vt.
48 - John Higgins, born July 16, 1800, at Corinth, Vt.
49 - Betsy Higgins, born Nov. 6, 1803, Corinth, Vt. Married "Andy" Wilson,
lived in Missouri
50 - Rand Higgins, born in Vermont; 50-a - Jessie (or Jesse),

Since Joseph, born in 1762, was only fourteen years of age in 1776, it is unlikely that he bore arms in the War for Independence. Katherine Higgins' book shows, however, that his older brothers, Zoheth and Ichabod, both served in the armed forces of the new republic, Zoheth in both the army and navy.

A note under the sketch of David, Joseph's younger brother, says that David moved with his father from Eastham to Jamaica, Vt., then to Ohio and finally to Indiana. This ties in well with our knowledge that Joseph is known to have lived in both Jamaica and in Ohio, where Myrick enlisted in the War of 1812.

SEVENTH GENERATION

45

MYRICK HIGGINS (Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]) Born in Corinth, Vt. on Feb. 18, 1793. Most of what we know of Myrick is from his granddaughter's memories and from an obituary published in the "Record and Evangelist," printed in Oskaloosa, Iowa, and Bedford, Indiana. The obituary appeared on Thursday, May 22, 1879, and I obtained my copy from Dor. Higgins Wilson (Mrs. E. M. Wilson), of Breezy Point Farm, Keswick, Iowa. This cousin has been a constant help and encouragement in the assembling of this history, from the first appeal which I sent her, and I feel that we are close friends, although we have never met. Another treasure which came into my possession as a result of the search for information about Myrick is copies of pictures taken of Myrick and Hannah Davis Higgins in their old age. The originals are in the possession of Effie Higgins Messenger, and were restored and the copies made for me by Mallon Dewey Higgins, who lives in Webster, Iowa. Here is a true copy of the obituary:

HIGGINS - Died at 9 P.M. Friday, April 18th, 1879, at the residence of his son in Adams Township, Keokuk County, Iowa, Myrick Higgins, aged 86 years and 2 months. Funeral services on the Lord's Day following, conducted by Elder A. Wheeler of the Christian Church.

"The deceased, Myrick Higgins, was born in Vermont on the 18th day of February, 1793, where he resided with his parents until he was thirteen years old, when, with his parents, he moved to Washington County, Ohio. He was married in Mount Vernon, Ohio, on the 29th day of June, A.D. 1815, to Miss Hannah Davis; an amiable lady who was born at the Sulphur Springs, Virginia on the 15th day of February, A.D. 1796. They settled in the vicinity of Mount Vernon, Ohio, and resided there until the year 1833, then they moved to Marion County, where they lived until the year 1855. Old age and the exposures and labors incident to a new country, rendered them unable to combat successfully the battle of life. Their son Warren having located in Keokuk County, Iowa, invited them to make his house their home for the remainder of their time on earth, which they joyfully accepted and never regretted, for they were received with filial affection and they found them always obedient to the command 'Honor thy father and thy mother, that their days may be long on the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.' Warren and family never seemed to weary in doing all they could to smooth their path through their declining years and render them comfortable, contented and happy. No murmuring or complaining ever escaped their lips, but as dutiful children performed all their labors cheerfully. They raised seven children and six of them espoused the cause of Christ in their youth, and they all grew up in the path of integrity, and were respected and honored by all who knew them; and a source of comfort and pride to their parents.

"Father and Mother Higgins gave their hearts to God and dedicated their lives to His service in the month of March A.D. 1820, and united with the Christian Church in Knox County, Ohio. They erected a family alter and strove to train up their children in the fear, nurture and admonition of the Lord, and God blessed them in their labors, and their children in answer to their prayers. Oh, how much they have accomplished by prayer, precept and example, eternity only, will reveal. They were all enabled to say 'O death! where is thy sting? O grave! where is thy victory?' When sin is washed away death loses its sting and the grave its victory.

In the year 1833 they moved to Marion County, and finding only a small number of laborers in the master's vineyard, they united in the organization of a Free Will Baptist Church, and continued to fight under the blood stained banner of King Emmanuel. After moving to Iowa they again united with the Christian Church where they continued to give evidence to all who knew them that they were laying up treasures in Heaven.

"Mother Higgins finished her work and the Lord took her from her labors and suffering on the 10th day of February A.D. 1873, to those blissful mansions which the Saviour has gone to prepare for the finally faithful."

Both Myrick and Hannah's graves are in Serden Cemetery, Keokuk Co., Iowa.

The obituary, while very flowery, gives no information about Myrick's parents or children, and completely ignores the fact that he was a veteran of the War of 1812. From the files of the War Department comes the following:

Declaration of Soldier for Pension, War of 1812

State of Iowa, County of Keokuk: On this 9th day of May, 1871, personally appeared before me, John McB-----, Clerk of the District Court, a Court of Record in and for the County and State aforesaid, MYRICK HIGGINS, aged seventy-eight years, a resident of Keokuk County, State of Iowa, who being duly sworn according to Law, declares that he is married, that his wife's name was HANNAH DAVIS, to whom he was married at Mt. Vernon, Knox County, Ohio on the 29th day of June, 1815, that he served the full period of sixty days in the Military Service of the United States in the War of 1812,

that he is the identical MYRICK HIGGINS who was drafted in Captain Jacob Young's Company."

At this point in the photostat, it is impossible to decipher the handwriting, but farther on, it continues--

"Mr. Higgins . . . . does not recollect the Regiment, does not recollect when he was discharged, thinks the company was commanded by Major or Col. Kratcher. We marched from Mt. Vernon, Knox Co., Ohio to Mansfield, Richland Co., Ohio--We built a Block House at the latter place. I think I have received two land . . . . from the Government, One in 1853 calling for forty acres - the other in the year 1856 and calling for 120 acres.

"That he at no time during the late Rebellion against the Authority of the United States . . . to the cause of the enemies of the Government, giving them aid or comfort or exercised the functions of any office whatsoever under any authority, or pretended authority in hostility to the United States, and that he will support the Constitution of the United States, that he is not in receipt of a Pension under any previous Act, that he makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension rolls of the United States under the provisions of the Act approved February 14th, 1871, and he hereby constitutes and appoints with full power of substitution and revocation R. D. Donnell of Sigourney, Iowa, his true and lawful attorney to prosecute his claim, and obtain the pension Certificate that may be issued, that his Post Office address is at Webster, County of Keokuk, State of Iowa.

MYRICK HIGGINS, Applicant

Another paper indicates that some difficulty arose because his name was on the rolls of Jacob Young's Company of Ohio Militia as "Merrick" Higgins. As "Searching for Your Ancestors" points out, spelling was much more variable in the pioneer days of our country, and what more likely than that Myrick was originally named for his grandmother, Elizabeth Merrick Higgins, and that through the years, the name came to be spelled "Myrick"? (Or that the man who enrolled Myrick in the militia simply spelled by ear? I frequently find that my daughter, Marcia Anne Wood, gets her name written by strangers as "Marsha Ann Woods"!)

Of interest, too, to the descendants is an agreement which I have, between MYRICK and WARREN at the time (1855) when Myrick and Hannah took up residence with Warren. Myrick gave $500.00 to Warren in return for a home for himself and wife for the rest of their lives. The agreement was in the form of a contract, with the proviso that if either party became dissatisfied with the agreement, the contract was to be void and Warren to receive only the interest on the money up until such time of dissatisfaction. We are happy to note that both parents spent the rest of their lives happily in the home of Warren and his wife, Marcia Ann Rubins Higgins.

Little is known of Myrick's wife, HANNAH DAVIS, except what has been told by her granddaughter, Effie Higgins Messenger[70]. "My grandmother Hannah had no brothers or sisters. Don't remember of hearing her speak very much about her mother. Her mother died when Hannah was quite young, think about nine years old. Don't think I ever heard her name. Hannah and her father lived together in Virginia. She was a school teacher. They rode on horseback over the mountains from Virginia to Ohio. Don't know if she taught school in Ohio or not, but that is where she met Myrick."

CHILDREN OF MYRICK

51 - First child, still born, August 7, 1816
52 + Polly Higgins, born October 16, 1817, Mt. Vernon, Ohio
53 + Sarah Jane Higgins, born Sept. 28, 1820, Mt. Vernon, Ohio
54 + Joseph Higgins, born Sept. 20, 1822, Mt. Vernon, Ohio
55 + Warren Beech Higgins, born Knox Co., Ohio, Feb. 17, 1825
56 + Decatur Higgins, born Knox Co., Ohio, October 9, 1827
57 - Eliza Cordelia Higgins, born Jan. 1, 1830; married, April 14, 1853, Archibald Hopkins, who was born Oct. 26, 1824. Their first child was born dead in February, 1854, and Eliza Cordelia died March 7, 1854. No further information available.
58 + Elizabeth Matilda, born December 12, 1832, Mt. Vernon, Ohio

EIGHTH GENERATION

52

POLLY HIGGINS (Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), born Mt. Vernon, Ohio, October 16, 1817. Married in October, 1837, JOSEPH YOAKUM, born February 24, 1817. Polly died March 2, 1846, in Indiana, possibly as a result of the birth of her fourth child a month earlier. Joseph Yoakum remarried, lived near Iowa City.

59 + Eliza Hannah Yoakum, born July 31, 1839
60 + Sarah Jane Yoakum, born May 11, 1842
61 + Myrick Charles Yoakum, born February 5, 1844
62 + Elizabeth Rachel Yoakum, born January 29, 1846

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SARAH JANE HIGGINS (Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), born in Mt. Vernon, Knox Co., Ohio, Sept. 28, 1820. (This is from a transcript from the Higgins family Bible. Everett Bower[75] has a photograph of her tombstone which says date of birth was Feb. 28, 1820). Married, October 18, 1840, SAMUEL CLEMENS SEAMAN, who was born December 30, 1820. Sarah Jane died Oct. 28, 1900, and is buried in Sorden Cemetery, Keokuk Co., Iowa. Samuel Seaman died Oct. 30, 1852, near Upper Sandusky, Ohio

63 - Orin L Seaman, born August 8, 1841; died in Ohio, March 19, 1858
64 - Mary Elizabeth Seaman, born August 31, 1844; died in Iowa unmarried, March 31, 1905 (this death date given byEverett Bower; Sarah Seaman Stroup, niece of Mary Elizabeth Seaman, writes: "Aunt Mary Seaman was never married ---died in same house about 10 days from papa's death. We lived there at the time, and I believe that you have the wrong year---was 1908 when they both died---I was 5 yrs. old." Both agree that the deaths occurred in South English, Iowa. Mrs. Stroup also mentions that Mary Elizabeth Seaman used to go back to Marion (?) Ohio to visit her cousin, Sarah Blow. This is of interest to those members of the Higgins family who are also interested in Rubins family history.
65 + Myrick Higgins Seaman, born February 20, 1845 (this year from Higgins Bible and from Sarah Stroup; Everett Bower sent Feb. 20, 1846)

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JOSEPH HIGGINS (Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), born Sept. 20, 1822, Mt. Vernon, Ohio. Son of Myrick Higgins and Hannah Davis. Married, January 1, 1845, ELIEN (Aunt Effie is most emphatic about this being "Ellen," my transcript from the Higgins Bible says "Helen".) RUBINS, born April 2, 1826, probably in England, daughter of Edward Rubins and Ann Blow. Joseph died January 12, 1850 and is buried in Papaw Cemetery, Ohio. Ellen Rubins Higgins married for the second time. The second husband was Ira Anderson. She died

66 - Serepta Jane Higgins, born November 20, 1845, in Ohio
67 - Marilla Anna Higgins, born July 14, 1848, " "

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WARREN BEECH HIGGINS (Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Myrick Higgins and Hannah Davis, was born in Knox Co., Ohio Feb. 17, 1825. Married, April 14, 1850 in Marion Co., Ohio, MARCIA ANN RUBINS, daughter of William Rubins and Mary Tyson, born April 9, 1832, in Richland Co., Ohio. (Marcia Ann was a niece of her brother-in-law, Joseph's, wife, Ellen Rubins). Warren died March 4, 1904 in Keokuk Co., Iowa and Marcia Ann on April 1, 1931. Both are buried in Sorden Cemetery. In the summer of 1853, Warren and Marcia Ann started west to Iowa in a covered wagon. Their small son Hale became ill in Illinois with what was later recognized to have been poliomyelitis, and they took shelter with strangers until the child was able to travel again.

The following sketch of Warren's life is taken from "History of Keokuk Co., Iowa, 1880," published by Union Historical Co., Des Moines, 1880.--"Warren Higgins, farmer, Sec. 23, P. O. Webster; born Feb. 17, 1825, in Knox Co., Ohio; he traces his father's origin to Irish ancestry, and was in the war of 1812; his mother was of German origin; the subject of this sketch was raised in Ohio on a farm and divided his time between working on a farm during the summer months and attending school in winter; when Mr. Higgins attained his majority his father gave him $100 and a horse, and this was his capital, coupled with a stout hand and willing heart and fixed principles of honor, industry and integrity; he followed his chosen avocation until 1853, when, following the Star of Empire, westward, he came to Iowa and purchased land where he is now residing; he owns 695 acres of choice land; he is a practical farmer and his farm one of the best cultivated in the county; he devotes considerable attention to stock, and of late years has been improving the quality so that at the present time we may say he has his farm well stocked with good graded cattle; April 14, 1850, he married Miss MARCIA ANN RUBINS, a native of Richland County, Ohio, a woman of ability, and her counsel and good judgment have contributed largely to their success; their family consists of four children: Hale, Joseph Rubins, Effie and Delano; their home is a pleasant one, where one meets with a cordial, but unostentatious welcome."

The following is taken from an obituary of Marcia Ann: "Mrs. Marcia Ann Higgins, nee Rubins, was born April 9, 1832 in Marion Co., Ohio and departed this life April 1, 1931 aged 98 years, 11 months and 23 days at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Effie Messenger in Keswick, Iowa. She was united in Marriage April 14, 1850 to Warren Higgins who preceded her in death March 4, 1904. To this union were born four children, Hale who died September 19, 1912, Joe R., of Sigourney, Mrs. Effie Messenger and Dell of Keswick.

"In her early life, Mrs. Higgins with her parents attended divine services which were then held as occasion made it possible in Ohio.

"In 1853, Mrs. Higgins with her husband and baby son, drove from Ohio to the farm two miles east of Keswick, in an old time covered wagon. (This covered wagon is now in the possession of a son of Delano Higgins[71]). They crossed the Mississippi River at Burlington, Iowa on a ferry propelled by horse treed.

"In 1883 regular preaching services were started in the Keswick railroad depot at which Mrs. Higgins and her husband were regular attendants and when the Methodist Protestant church was organized and a building erected in 1885 they helped financially and in every way they could. Mrs. Higgins was a faithful member and worker, although quiet and reticent in the church of her choice until advancing years made it impossible for her to attend.

"After the death of her husband she lived in her own home, until 17 years ago, when she took up her abode with her daughter, Mrs. Effie Messenger, from whom she has received the best of care and attention that love could make possible. About nine and one half years ago she fell and broke her hip, since then she has been an invalid, unable to get around without help. Mrs. Higgins was honored and loved by all who knew her, ever ready to help those who were sick or in need of help. She leaves to mourn her memory, besides her children, 17 grandchildren and 39 great-grandchildren besides a host of relatives and friends. Funeral services were held in the Keswick Methodist Protestant church her pastor, Rev. C. W. Lau officiating. Interment was at Sorden Cemetery."

68 + Hale Higgins, born December 25, 1852, Ohio
69 + Joseph Rubins Higgins, born March 14, 1857, Keokuk Co., Iowa
70 + Effie Higgins, born October 3, 1863, Keokuk Co., Iowa
71 + Delano Higgins, born April 20, 1871

56

DECATUR HIGGINS (Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), born Knox Co., Ohio, October 9, 1827; moved to Iowa in 1856; married, September 17, 1857, NANCY ANN IRONS, daughter of John Irons, who was born in Alleghany County, Maryland, on April 19, 1810, and Margaret Powell, who was born in West Virginia on April 24, 1813. Nancy Ann was born November 29, 1837. Decatur died March 5, 1897 and Nancy Ann, April 10, 1920

72 + Jenette Higgins, born July 26, 1858
73 + Lafayette Higgins, born June 21, 1860
74 - Elsie Saline Higgins, born Nov. 11, 1872; died Jan. 3, 1877; buried Sorden Cemetery
75 + Elfie Wren Higgins, born Dec. 15, 1877, on farm 2 miles west of South English, Iowa

58

ELIZABETH MATILDA HIGGINS (Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Myrick Higgins and Hannah Davis; born Dec. 12, 1832, Knox Co., Ohio; married, on April 2, 1850, near Marseilles, Ohio, HENRY CLAY OTIS, son of

76 - Adolphus Otis, born October 4, 1851; died Sept. 15, 1853
77 - Hannah Ella Otis, born Nov. 4, 1853, near Keswick, Iowa; died Nov. 21, 1860
78 - Princess Orinda Otis, born Jan. 10, 1856; died Oct. 20, 1856
79 - Orin Otis, born Feb. 27, 1858 near Keswick, Ia.; died Dec. 16, 1860
80 - Elsie S. Otis, born November 22, 1860 at Webster, Iowa; lived to marry a man whose family name was Reed. No further information
81 - Florence Eva Otis, born Sept. 10, 1863, Wester, Ia.; died Sept. 1, 1865
82 - Orme K. Otis, born Webster, Iowa
83 - Charles H. Otis, born Jan. 12, 1870 at Webster, Iowa
(At this time, the family moved to Oregon)
84 - John T. Otis, born Nov. 29, 1875 at Creswell, Oregon

NINTH GENERATION

59

ELIZA HANNAH YOAKUM (Polly Higgins Yoakum[52], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Polly Higgins and Joseph Yoakum, born July 31, 1839. She married WEBSTER. No further information.

85 - Mary Webster, born before 1863
86 - Joseph Webster, born after 1863

60

SARAH JANE YOAKUM (Polly Higgins Yoakum[52], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26] Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Polly Higgins and Joseph Yoakum, born May 11, 1842. Married MORGAN. No further information.

87 - Lizzie (Elizabeth?) Morgan, who died quite young
88 - Joseph Morgan, grew to manhood, became a barber.

("History of Keokuk Co." lists, but gives no further information, p. 663, Mrs. Sarah J. Morgan, farmer, Sec. 23; P. O. Martinsburgh)

61

MYRICK CHARLES YOAKUM (Polly Higgins Yoakum[52], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Polly Higgins and Joseph Yoakum, born Feb. 5, 1844. No further information available at present. Since other individuals from Knox Co., Ohio mentioned in "History of Keokuk Co." appear to have spelled the name "Yoakum," it is quite possible that is the correct spelling for this branch of the family.

62

ELIZABETH RACHEL YOAKUM (Polly Higgins Yoakum[52], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Polly Higgins and Joseph Yoakum, born January 29, 1846. She married ARCHER; no children.

63

ORIN L SEAMAN (Sarah Jane Higgins Seaman[53], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Sarah Jane Higgins and Samuel Clemens Seaman, born August 8, 1841; died in Ohio, March 19, 1858

64

MARY ELIZABETH SEAMAN (Sarah Jane Higgins Seaman[53], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), born August 31, 1844, died in Iowa unmarried, March 31, 1908 (this date is from Sarah Stroup, whose father died at almost the same time; a death year of 1905 was given by Everett Bower). Buried in Sorden Cemetery.

65

MYRICK HIGGINS SEAMAN (Sarah Jane Higgins Seaman[53], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Sarah Jane Higgins and Samuel Clemens Seaman; born February 20, 1845 (46?) in Ohio. MARRIED, in May, 1878, JULIA ADELLA SULLIVAN. She was born October 3, 1856, in Wisconsin, died Feb. 23, 1954, in Kirksville, Missouri, and is buried in Highland Park Cemetery, Kirksville, Mo. Myrick died April 7, 1908, in South English, Iowa. The following is taken from "History of Keokuk Co.", p. 795: "farmer, stock-raiser and dealer, Sec. 29, P. O. Webster; born in Marion Co., Ohio, Feb. 20, 1846; there he was raised and attended the common schools for a short time in his early youth; his father died when he was six years of age and an older brother when he was twelve, so that Mr. Seaman was left the sole support of his widowed mother, and he has proved himself to be a kind and dutiful son; he was determined to acquire a more thorough education and worked hard in his youth to save the means necessary to accomplish this desire; at the age of twenty-three he entered the Ohio Central College, which he attended for one year, but was obliged to forego further study in that institution as his services were needed at home; he returned and took charge of the farm and taught school during the winters; he came with his mother to this county in 1871 and located where he now resides; owns 120 acres in home farm and 160 acres in the adjoining township."

89 + Sarah Ellen Seaman, born April 22, 1903, Brown Co., Minnesota
89a- (Adopted) Jennie Kemery Smallwood, born Kirksville, Mo., married Richard Smallwood, have 2 girls, 1 boy
89b- (Adopted) Oliver Jack Fairchild (no one knows where from, supposed to be abandoned child), lives in Lebanon, Mo., has 3 daughters

68

HALE HIGGINS (Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Warren Higgins and Marcia Ann Rubins, born December 25, 1852, in Ohio. Died Sept. 19, 1912 in Keokuk Co., Iowa, buried in Sorden Cemetery. Married, on Feb. 24, 1878, at Webster, Iowa, MARTHA NANCY WEAKLEY, daughter of Samuel Weakley and Susan Ramsey. Martha was born Sept. 26, 1857 in Pennsylvania, and died March 22, 1949 in Keokuk Co., Iowa; buried in Sorden Cemetery. Hale Higgins was the infant who had poliomyelitis while migrating from Ohio to Iowa in a covered wagon with his parents in 1853.

90 - Infant daughter, born Dec. 29, 1878; died Jan. 1, 1879, buried Sorden Cem.
91 + Warren Clyde Higgins, born Feb. 14, 1880
92 + Edna Higgins, born April 19, 1882
93 + Ralph Waldo Higgins, born April 1, 1884; died Oct. 10, 1946
94 + Adda Higgins, born August 18, 1886
95 + Dora Higgins, born March 26, 1889
96 + May Higgins, born May 6, 1893
97 + Fred Forrest Higgins, born June 25, 1895

98 + Otis Oliver Higgins, born July 27, 1898

99 - Marcia Mildred Higgins, born August 12, 1901; died in automobile accident May 26, 1918; buried Sorden Cemetery, Keokuk Co., Iowa.

69

JOSEPH RUBINS HIGGINS (Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13] Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Warren Higgins and Marcia Ann Rubins, born March 14, 1857, Keokuk Co., Iowa., died May 20, 1944, Sigourney, Iowa; buried Pleasant Grove Cemetery. Married (a) on Dec. 17, 1879, SARAH M. MESSENGER, daughter of Salmon and Margaret Hayes Messenger. Sarah was born in Terra Alta, W. Va., on Aug. 9, 1858, and died Nov. 6, 1890 in Pasadena, Calif.; buried in Pasadena. Married (b) JENNIE MAY McBRIDE, on Feb. 17, 1892. She was daughter of Jesse C. McBride and Rachel Lutton McBride, and was born March 16, 1867 on a farm near Keswick. She died Feb. 15, 1955, Sigourney, Iowa.

At the time of J. R. Higgins' death, the following obituary appeared on May 31, 1944 in The Sigourney Review, under the heading "Former City Mayor Dies": "Resident of Sigourney Past 32 Years; Active in Civic Affairs--Joseph R. Higgins, 87, died at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon at his home in Sigourney, following an illness of seven weeks duration.

"He was born in Adams township, March 14, 1857, the son of Warren and Marcia Higgins. He lived on a farm near Keswick until 32 years ago, when he moved to Sigourney.

"On Dec. 17, 1879 he was married to Miss Sarah Messenger of Keswick, who died on November 6, 1890. They were the parents of three sons, Floyd Hallock Higgins of Oakland, California, J. Fosse Higgins and Jesse C. Higgins, both of Keswick.

"On Feb. 17, 1892 he was married to Miss Jennie McBride of Keswick, they were the parents of one son, Lee M. Higgins of Keswick.

"Mr. Higgins has always lived in Keokuk County and was a large land owner of the county.

"He served as mayor of Sigourney and was always active in civic affairs.

"He is survived by his wife, his sons, seven grandchildren, two grandsons, Cpl. Joe L. Higgins, a marine who was reported killed in the south Pacific, on July 14, 1943 and Pfc. John Higgins somewhere in England, and one great grandson, Stephen Wood of Berkeley, Calif., one sister, Mrs. Effie Messenger of Keswick and one brother, Del Higgins of Keswick.

"Mr. and Mrs. Higgins celebrated their golden wedding on Feb. 17, 1942.

"Funeral services will be held at 5 o'clock this afternoon at the home in charge of the Rev. W. J. Fowler and burial will be made in Pleasant Grove Cemetery."

At the time of Jennie McBride Higgins' death, the following appeared in a Keokuk Co. newspaper: "Died at County Hospital Tuesday morning, Mrs. Joseph R. Higgins of Sigourney, passed away at the Keokuk County hospital early Tuesday morning after she had been taken there on Monday.

"Mrs. Higgins had been in ill health for several years, and suffered a cerebral hemorrhage at the home of Mrs. Mattie Gullett, where she had been living for over a year.

"She was born Jennie McBride, daughter of Jesse O. and Rachel Lutton McBride, on March 16, 1867, on a farm near Keswick. Her entire lifetime was spent in Keokuk county.

"On February 17, 1892, she was married to J. R. Higgins. They made their home on a farm near Keswick for many years. After retiring they moved to Sigourney in 1921, where her husband took an active part in city government. He served as mayor for a number of years and also served several terms as a councilman.

"She was a member of the Methodist church in Keswick. She was preceded in death by her husband, who passed away in May, 1944.

"She is survived by her son Leo, who lives on the home farm east of Keswick, two grandchildren, JoAnne Higgins of Des Moines and Mrs. Edgar Axmear of Keswick.

"Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. Thursday, at the Reynolds Funeral chapel, conducted by the Rev. Myron E. Hayes, pastor of the Sigourney Methodist church and burial will be in Pleasant Grove Cemetery."

By first wife:

100 + Joseph Fosse Higgins, born Dec. 15, 1881, Keokuk Co.
101 + Floyd Hallock Higgins, born May 15, 1886, Keokuk Co.
102 + Jesse Chase Higgins, born January 17, 1889, Keokuk Co.

By second wife:

103 + Leo McBride Higgins, born November 18, 1892, Webster, Iowa

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EFFIE HIGGINS (Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Warren Beech Higgins and Marcia Ann Rubins Higgins, born October 3, 1863 in Keokuk Co., Iowa. Married on April 3, 1887, HALLECK SALMON MESSENGER, son of Salmon and Margaret Hayes Messenger. Halleck was born in Terra Alta, W. Va., on July 4, 1862 and died August 20, 1890. He is buried in Sorden Cemetery.

104 + Guy Messenger, born May 18, 1888 in Keokuk Co.
105 + Opal Messenger, born Feb. 25, 1890 in Keokuk Co., Iowa

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DELANO HIGGINS (Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Warren Beech Higgins and Marcia Ann Rubins Higgins, born April 20, 1871 in Keokuk Co., Iowa; died Nov. 13, 1947, buried in Sorden Cemetery. Married, on January 24, 1894, ONA ELEANOR MILLER, daughter of James Miller (born Dec. 5, 1830 in Perry Co., Ohio, son of Phillip and Margaret Miller) and Harriet Eleanor Moore Miller (born March 1, 1840, daughter of James and Mary Moore). Ona Eleanor Miller Higgins was born April 1, 1873, in Keokuk Co., Iowa, and died June 19, 1951 in Keokuk Co., Iowa; buried in Sorden Cemetery

106 + Howard Thomas Higgins, born Dec. 18, 1895, Keokuk Co., Iowa
107 + Zoe Ellen Higgins, born Sept. 25, 1896, " " "
108 + Mahlon Dewey Higgins, born Feb. 9, 1898, " " "
109 - Chester Delano Higgins, born July 27, 1901, " " "
Died, unmarried, of tuberculosis in Arizona on Feb. 5, 1925.
Buried in Sorden Cemetery

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JENETTE HIGGINS (Decatur[56], Myrick[44], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Decatur Higgins and Nancy Ann Irons, was born July 26, 1858 in Keokuk Co., Iowa and died May 11, 1923; buried in Sorden Cemetery. Married, on April 7, 1878, PERRY HENRY FRY, son of Conrad Fry and Louisa Gibler. (Perry Fry's sister, Doll Fry, married the brother of Jennie May McBride Higgins, second wife of Joseph Rubins Higgins[69]). Perry H. Fry died March 8, 1930, and is buried in Sorden Cemetery. (More information about the family of Conrad Fry on p. 782, "History of Keokuk Co.", 1880).

110 + Elsie Lillie Fry, born April 15, 1879 in Keokuk Co., Iowa
111 + Lou Anna Fry, born August 22, 1888

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LAFAYETTE HIGGINS (Decatur[56], Myrick[44], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Decatur Higgins and Nancy Ann Irons, born June 21, 1860 in Adams township, Iowa; died April 2, 1932 in Des Moines, buried Glendale Masonic Cemetery. He married, on June 30, 1887, in Sigourney, SARAH ELIZABETH ("PET") BRANNAN, daughter of Edward Brannan and Eliza Jane Hasty, born Oct. 27, 1861 near Sigourney, Iowa. "Pet" Brannan died Aug. 11, 1931 in Des Moines, Iowa, and is buried there.

At the time of Lafayette Higgins' death, the following appeared in an Iowa paper: "Son of Early Pioneer Dies in Des Moines, Lafayette Higgins, aged 72, a former Keokuk county resident, having lived in South English the early part of his life and outstanding educator and engineer of Des Moines, died Saturday following an illness of only a few days.

"He was a brother of Mrs. Everett Bower (nee Elfie Wren Higgins[75]) of South English and Mrs. Higgins is a sister of Misses Philura and Dean Brannan, Mrs. H. L. Snakenberg, E. P. Brannan and John Brannan, local persons. Mr. Higgins was a cousin of Joe Higgins[69] of Sigourney.

"He was born in Adams township in 1860, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Decatur Higgins, pioneers of the county, having come here in 1848. After going through a rural Keokuk county school, Mr. Higgins became a rural school teacher at the age of 19. In 1881, he entered Drake University, and was graduated in the first graduating class of that institution in 1885.

"Upon graduation, he became an assistant professor of mathematics and English literature and in 1888, he was selected head of the department of applied mathematics.

"It was this former Keokuk county . . . . engineering course of Drake University and was head of that department until 1896. From 1896 until 1898, he was city engineer of Des Moines and during the years 1898 to 1913, he was head of the department of chemistry and physics in the West Des Moines high school. From 1913 to 1927, he

was employed by the state as engineer of the Iowa state board of health.

"On retirement from the service of the state, he resumed the private practice ofengineering as consulting civil and sanitary engineer in the firm of Lafayette Higgins and Son, engineers, in Des Moines.

"Mr. Higgins was a member of the Iowa Engineering society, the Des Moines Engineers' Club, the American Public Health association, the Phi Beta Kappa honorary scholastic society, the University club of Des Moines, the Des Moines chamber of commerce and the American Waterworks association and many other organizations.

"He was a member of the board of trustees of Drake University since 1886 and recently was given an honorary life membership on the board.

"Mr. Higgins was married to Miss Pet Brannan in 1887 at Sigourney and they became the parents of three children, Lottie, a teacher in the Des Moines public schools, Burdette, an architect, who designed the Sigourney Memorial hall and Lafayette, Jr., a civil and sanitary engineer who has been employed in South America and returned to Des Moines last Tuesday.

"The funeral services for Mr. Higgins was held Tuesday afternoon under the direction of the Rev. C. S. Medbury, pastor of the University church of Christ of Des Moines of which Mr. Higgins was a member. Burial was in Glendale Masonic Cem.

"Attending the funeral from Sigourney were Miss Philura Brannan, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Snakenberg, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Brannan, Mr. and Mrs. John Brannan, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Noller and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Webb.

112 - Lottie Higgins, born July 11, 1888, Des Moines, Iowa; unmarried; present address (1955)--3523 University - Apt. 11B, Des Moines 11, Iowa

113 + Burdette Higgins, born January 20, 1890, Des Moines

114 + Lafayette Higgins, Jr., born June 26, 1896, Des Moines

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ELFIE WREN HIGGINS (Decatur^{5}6, Myrick^{45}, Joseph^{37}, Ebenezer^{3}3, Ebenezer^{26}, Ichabod^{13}, Benjamin^{3}, Richard^{1}), daughter of Decatur Higgins and Nancy Ann Irons, born on a farm 2 miles west of South English, Iowa, on Dec. 15, 1877; died Sept. 6, 1951, buried Sorden Cemetery. Married on April 2, 1902, in Kinross, Iowa (by Rev. John M. VanKirk), EVERETT BOWER, son of Frederick Lewis Bower (born April 8, 1838 in Germany) and Amelia Himler Bower (born Oct. 22, 1839 in Ohio). Everett Bower was born Oct. 22, 1874 in Iowa county, is now (1956) living in Webster, Iowa.

115 + Edna Pearl Bower, born March 17, 1904, on farm 2 m. west of S. English
116 + Leland Pearl Bower, " Nov. 23, 1905 " " " " " " " "
117 + Levi Linden Bower, " June 28, 1908, " " " " " " " "
118 + Carl Wilmer Bower, " June 2, 1910, " " " " " " " "
119 + Lewis Decatur Bower " Feb. 22, 1914, " " " " " " " "
120 - Dorothy Yvonne Bower, born April 17, 1916; died Dec. 23, 1918, buried in Sorden Cemetery, Keokuk Co., Iowa

Note: Sketch of Levi Bower, probably uncle of Everett, p. 744, "History of Keokuk Co." My sincere appreciation to Everett Bower, who has given generously of his time and effort to help make this history complete and accurate.

Between the children of Elfie Wren Higgins Bower and the children of Sarah Ellen Seaman, I am omitting 30 numbers, hoping some day to fill them with the descendants of Elizabeth Matilda Higgins Otis, Joseph Higgins[54] and Polly H. Yoakum.

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SARAH ELLEN SEAMAN (Myrick Higgins Seaman[65], Sarah Jane Higgins Seaman[53], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Myrick Higgins Seaman and Julia Adella Sullivan, was born April 22, 1903, in Brown County, Minnesota. She married, on June 21, 1924, HARRY EARL STROUP, son of James Stroup and Malinda Rebecca Dolan. Harry was born March 8, 1903, in Collinsville, Missouri. Present address: 5563 Pershing St., St. Louis 12, Missouri

150 + Jackie Blair Stroup, born Sept. 3, 1927, Millard, Missouri

151 + Joyce Nadine Stroup, " Jan. 31, 1930, Virgil, Kansas

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WARREN CLYDE HIGGINS (Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Hale Higgins and Martha Nancy Yoakley, born Feb. 14, 1880, Keokuk Co., Iowa, near Keswick. Married, at Webster, Iowa, Nov. 27, 1907, NELLIE MAE REINIER, daughter of Albert Ambrose Reinier and Mary Elizabeth Quick. Nellie Mae Reinier was born Nov. 18, 1886 at Ollis, Iowa

152 + Wilson Warren Higgins, born June 13, 1909, Keswick, Iowa
153 + Elsie Faye Higgins, born Feb. 27, 1911, Keswick, Iowa
154 + Mamie Margurete Higgins, born Nov. 11, 1912, Keswick, Iowa
155 + Velma Ruth Higgins, born Nov. 26, 1913, Keswick, Iowa
156 + Albert Hale Higgins, born August 18, 1916, near South English, Iowa

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EDNA HIGGINS (Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13] Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Hale Higgins and Martha Nancy Yoakley, born April 19, 1882. Married, on April 4, 1906 at Webster, Iowa, HENRY MARTEN PRICE, son of John and Catherine Price. Henry was born Oct. 27, 1879 near Keswick, Ia.

157 + Stanley Raymond Price, born May 31, 1908, Keswick, Iowa
158 + Henry Vernon Price, born February 23, 1910, Keswick, Iowa

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RALPH WALDO HIGGINS (Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Hale Higgins and Martha Nancy Yoakley, born April 1, 1884, near Keswick, Iowa; died Oct. 10, 1946, near Keswick, Iowa. Married, on August 16, 1911, near Hedrick, Iowa, LULA HAWK, daughter of Allen Hawk and Sarah Bottoef Hawk. Lula was born March 31, 1883 near Hedrick, Iowa

159 + Maxine Natalie Higgins, born Sept. 27, 1913, Keswick, Iowa
160 + Sara Martha Higgins, born March 5, 1917, Keswick, Iowa
161 + Marcia Mildred Higgins, born Jan. 10, 1921, Hedrick, Iowa

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ADDA HIGGINS (Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13] Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Hale Higgins and Martha Nancy Weakley, born Aug. 18, 1886, near Keswick, Iowa. Married, Nov. 4, 1906, at Webster, Iowa, MORTIMER ELTON GROSS, son of Jacob Albert Gross and Augusta Elizabeth Bliesenick. Mortimer was born Nov. 7, 1881, near Keswick, Iowa, and died October 26, 1955

162 + Evelyn Irene Gross, born August 22, 1909, near Keswick, Iowa
163 + Carl Mortimer Gross, born December 13, 1911, near Keswick, Iowa
164 + Albert Eugene Gross, born December 18, 1921, " " "

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DORA HIGGINS (Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13] Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Hale Higgins and Martha Nancy Weakley, born March 26, 1889, near Keswick, Iowa. Married, on October 15, 1913, in Keswick, Iowa, EDGAR MYLREA WILSON, son of William Andrew Wilson and Ada Shimmin Wilson. E. M. Wilson was born September 29, 1888, near Thornburg, Iowa
Present address: Breezy Point Farm, Keswick, Iowa

At this place, I would like to express my gratitude to Dora Higgins Wilson. It was she who gathered and organized all the material about her parents' descendants; she is a delightful correspondent, and keeps the author promptly notified of all new births, deaths and marriages in that branch of the family.

166 + Homer Hale Wilson, born Feb. 6, 1916, Keswick, Iowa
167 - Marcia Ellen Wilson, born Dec. 13, 1919; living at home with parents in 1956

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MAY HIGGINS (Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13] Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Hale Higgins and Martha Nancy Weakley Higgins, born May 6, 1893 near Keswick, Iowa. Married, Feb. 26, 1913, at Keswick, SIDNEY EPHRAIM MOORE, son of David Moore and Sandra Elliott, born Feb. 26, 1883, near Thornburg, Iowa

168 + Freeda Leota Moore, born Jan. 31, 1914, Thornburg, Iowa
169 + Sidney Dale Moore, born November 30, 1916, " "
170 + David Hale Moore, born October 2 1920, " "
171 + Joan Moore, born June 20, 1924, " "

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FRED FORREST HIGGINS (Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Hale Higgins and Martha Nancy Weakley, born June 25, 1895, near Keswick, Iowa. Married, on July 13, 1916, at Keswick, Iowa,

AMMI NORA DAVIS, daughter of Abraham Davis and Margie Mae Smith; Ammi Nora Davis was born August 26, 1894 at Shiloh, New Jersey. Fred and Ammi at present (1956) living in Washington state.

172 + Margie Mae Higgins, born June 14, 1917, Thornburg, Iowa
173 + Forrest Fred Higgins, born Feb. 11, 1921, Clayton, Washington
174 + Oliver Hale Higgins, born March 9, 1923, Clayton, Washington
175 + Fred Ray Higgins, born December 27, 1925, Clayton, Washington

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OTIS OLIVER HIGGINS (Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Hale Higgins and Martha Nancy Weakley, born July 27, 1898, near Keswick, Iowa. Married, on June 20, 1923, in Nashua, Iowa, PEARL JOHNSON, daughter of Johnson and Woodward. Pearl was born July 3, 1898, in Greene, Iowa. No children have been born to this marriage. Otis has been physical education instructor at San Leandro High School, California, for several years. He is a graduate of Iowa State College, where he was a champion track star, and holds a master's degree from the University of California in Berkeley. He is a veteran of World War I. Present address: 1116 Hedford St., Hayward, Calif.

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JOSEPH FOSSE HIGGINS (Joseph Rubins Higgins[69], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33] Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Joseph Rubins Higgins and Sarah M. Messenger, was born December 15, 1881 in Keokuk Co., Iowa, and died November 13, 1948. Buried in Sorden Cemetery. He married, June 19, 1907, RUBY ROSE GREEN, daughter of Wesley Theodore Green (born Jan. 7, 1850, died June 5, 1886) and Hattie E. Pine Green (born March 31, 1860, died Feb. 28, 1922). Ruby Rose Green was born Nov. 13, 1883 in Keswick, Iowa. Present address: Keswick, Iowa

176 + Harriet Josephine Higgins, born May 25, 1912, Keokuk Co., Iowa
177 - Joseph Lee Higgins, born Oct. 11, 1916, Keokuk Co., Iowa. Attended Iowa State College, enlisted with the U. S. Marine Corps in World War II, Co. "I", 3rd Bn., fought in the Pacific theater. Died July 14, 1943. Final interment, Sorden Cemetery, Nov. 1, 1947 (2nd Marines)
178 + Elizabeth Louise Higgins, born Oct. 8, 1921, Keokuk Co., Iowa

The following is taken from the "Keokuk County News" of July 22, 1943: "Cpl. Joseph L. Higgins Dies for Country--Parents of Keswick Boy Get Word Saturday from Marine Corps Commandant--Word of the death of Cpl. Joseph L. Higgins of the U. S. Marine Corps was received last Saturday in a telegram to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Higgins of Keswick. He was serving in the southwest Pacific fighting area.

"The telegram was as follows: 'Deeply regret to inform you that your son, Cpl. Joseph L. Higgins, U. S. Marine Corps, died to prevent possible aid to our enemies. Please do not divulge the name of his ship or station. Present situation necessitates interment temporarily in the location where death occurred and you will be notified accordingly. Please accept my heartfelt sympathy. Letter follows. T. Holcomb, Lt. Gen., U. S. Marine, the Commandant, U. S. Marines.'

"Cpl. Higgins enlisted in the Marine Corps on January 13, 1942 in Des Moines, for the regular four-year period. He received his training at Camp Elliott, San Diego, California, and sometime about the last of June, 1942, went overseas for duty in the southwest Pacific. His parents did not hear from him for six weeks after he went overseas.

"He saw action in the Guadalcanal campaign and was stationed in that area from last August until December. While there he contracted malaria and was transferred to the Red Cross center at Tulagi until he recovered. It is assumed that he had moved to a new location recently, since his parents received a cablegram from him on July 10, saying 'All well and safe.'

"Some of his letters were written on mere scraps of paper and two arrived without envelopes, one dated August 18, 1942, being scorched on the edge. He also had sent home some Japanese paper money as souvenirs.

"Cpl. Higgins, known to his many friends as Joe Lee, was born October 11, 1916, and was graduated from the Keswick high school in the class of 1933. All through his high school years he was active and outstanding in 4-H club work in the county, serving as president of the 4-H boys' club in 1935. His baby beeves won a grand championship at the Keokuk county fair, as well as other high awards and he won numerous ribbons on his livestock entries at the Iowa state fair and at the International Livestock show in Chicago, Ill.

"He attended Iowa State college at Ames for two and one-half years where he majored in animal husbandry. While there, he affiliated with Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity.

"After leaving college, he was employed as Angus cattle show herdsman for Rosemere Farms near Maquoketa for two years and later held a similar position at the Grand River Stock Farm at Webberville, Michigan. While in this work, he exhibited livestock at big shows all over the United States, and gave up an excellent new position to enlist in the Marines.

"He is survived by his parents, and two sisters, Harriet, who has been teaching home economics at Owasa and will teach in Ottumwa next year, and Betty Lou, juvenile assistant librarian at Waterloo. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Higgins of Sigourney."

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FLOYD HALLECK HIGGINS (Joseph Rubins Higgins[69], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Joseph Rubins Higgins and Sarah M. Messenger; born May 15, 1886, Keokuk Co., Iowa. Married (a) on April 14, 1914 in Chicago, Ill., MARY MARCELLA McAULEY, daughter of John D. and Anne Farroll McAuley. Mary was born in Chicago on Dec. 10, 1890 and died in Chicago on Aug. 9, 1926. Buried in Arlington Cemetery, Oak Park, Ill. (b) FLORA ERNESTINE MITCHELL, daughter of Frederick Egbert and Martha Drake Mitchell. Marriage on July 2, 1931 in Denver, Colorado. Flora was born on March , 18-- in Princeton, Calif., and died in Oakland, Calif., in 1951; inurnment, Oakland, Calif. F.H.H. is a graduate of Iowa State College, class of 1908, and F.E.M.H. attended the University of California and taught in the public schools of Oakland, Calif. for many years.

179 - Jerome Lynn Higgins, born Chicago, July, 1916; died Oct. 23, 1916, buried in Arlington Cemetery, Oak Park, Ill.
180 + Anne Farrell Higgins, born Chicago, Sept. 12, 1917
181 - Margaret Higgins twins stillborn in Liverpool, England, summer of
182 - Catherine Higgins 1920; buried in St. James Cemetery, Liverpool, Eng.
183 + John Halleck Stanton Higgins, born Nov. 10, 1923, Chicago, Ill.

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JESSE CHASE HIGGINS (Joseph Rubins Higgins[69], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33] Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Joseph Rubins Higgins and Sarah M. Messenger, born January 17, 1889, Keokuk Co., Iowa. Member of U. S. Expeditionary Forces, World War I; battle engagements - Ypres Area, Aug. 12, 1918, Bellicourt, Sept. 29 and 30, 1918; Geneva, Oct. 7, 1918; Ribeauville, Oct. 19, 1918. Still unmarried in 1956, living in Keswick, Iowa; address: Box 112, Keswick.

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LEO McBRIDE HIGGINS (Joseph Rubins Higgins[69], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Joseph Rubins Higgins and Jennie May McBride, born Nov. 18, 1892, Keokuk Co., Iowa; married (a) on Jan. 20, 1915, GRIZELDA A. SCHULTZ, daughter of Rudolph A. and Frona Christina Ripple. Grizelda was born May 9, 1893 in La Porte City, Iowa, and died Dec. 24, 1919 in Keswick, Iowa; (b) CLEO KUCH, daughter of John and Nellie Rinehart Loyisher (Swisher?). Cleo was born April 14, 1885. Present address: Webster, Iowa

184 - Mary Raechel Higgins, born August 14, 1917, Webster, Iowa; married, on Jan. 11, 1942, Edgar John Jacob Axmear, son of William C. and Clara Price Axmear. Edgar was born Nov. 13, 1916. No children at time of writing (1956)

185 - Jo Anne Higgins, born Sept. 29, 1918, Webster, Iowa.
Married (a) Donovan Hart; (b) George Botts; (3) Frederick Eastwood
All marriages ended in divorce; no children

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GUY MESSENGER (Effie Higgins Messenger[70], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Effie Higgins and Halleck Messenger, born May 18, 1888 in Keokuk Co. Married, on June 15, 1909, in North English, Iowa, ABBIE ELLEN O'BRIEN, daughter of Joel Pleasant O'Brien and Emma Isabelle Williams. Abbie was born May 4, 1888, in North English, Iowa. Present address: 22113 Schoolcraft, Canoga Park, Calif.

186 + Don Halleck Messenger, born Nov. 24, 1910, Sigourney, Iowa
187 + Ellen Paula Messenger, born Oct. 17, 1914, Keswick, Iowa
188 + Dannie O'Brien Messenger, born November 18, 1923, Keswick, Iowa

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OPAL MESSENGER (Effie Higgins[70], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26] Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Effie Higgins and Halleck Salmon Messenger, born February 25, 1890 in Keokuk Co., Iowa. Married, Nov. 15, 1911, FRED MAURICE SMITH, son of George Templeton Smith and Jennie May Lynn. Fred was born Oct. 16, 1888 in Present address: Webster, Iowa

189 + Margaret Elizabeth Smith, born Sept. 1, 1919, Webster, Iowa
190 + Norma Louise Smith, born June 22, 1922, " "
191 + Phyllis Ann Smith, born October 27, 1925, " "

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HOWARD THOMAS HIGGINS (Delano[71], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26] Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Delano Higgins and Oma Eleanor Miller, born Dec. 18, 1895 in Keokuk Co., Iowa. Married, Dec. 22, 1920, MARIE GOODMAN, daughter of Charles Goodman and Minnie Dietze Goodman, both born in Iowa Co., Iowa. Marie was born Sept. 17, 1901 in Iowa Co., Iowa. No children. Present address: Webster, Iowa

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ZOE ELLEN HIGGINS (Delano[71], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Delano Higgins and Oma Eleanor Miller, born Sept. 25, 1896 in Keokuk Co., Iowa. Married, on Feb. 8, 1922, CHARLES WILSON, son of George and Agnes Moore Wilson. Charles was born April 24, 1897, near Deep River, Poweshiek Co., Iowa and died Sept. 11, 1954, in the Des Moines Veterans' Hospital. He is buried in Sorden Cemetery.

192 - Jack Wesley Wilson, died at birth, Dec. 7, 1922
193 + Chester Wellington Wilson, born Dec. 5, 1924
194 + Keith Higgins Wilson, born May 14, 1927
195 + Beverley Ann Wilson, born January 24, 1932, Des Moines, Iowa

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MAHLON DEWEY HIGGINS (Delano[71], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Delano Higgins and Oma Eleanor Miller, born Feb. 9, 1898, Keokuk Co., Iowa. Married, August 24, 1921, LEONA MAE SHIRLAW, daughter of William and Margaret Maxwell Shirlaw (both born in Scotland). Leona was born Dec. 9, 1901 at What Cheer, Iowa. Present address: Webster, Iowa

196 - Peggy Jean Higgins, born June 7, 1922; died on Dec. 19, 1923
197 + Norma Beth Higgins, born Nov. 22, 1927, Keokuk Co., Iowa

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ELSIE LILLIE FRY (Jenette[72], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Jenette Higgins and Perry Henry Fry,

born April 15, 1879 in Keokuk Co., Iowa; died August 31, 1913, buried in Sorden Cemetery. Married, (a) CHARLES CAMERON HOHENSHELL, son of Samuel Hohenshell and Sarah Thomas. Charles C. Hohenshell was born August 2, 1872, in Iowa County, Iowa and died August 26, 1953 in Iowa City; he is buried in North English, Iowa; (b) GEORGE WASHINGTON SCHREINER, son of (both parents born in Germany, died in New Jersey when he was a child). George W. Schreiner was born August 15, 1872, in Bayonne, New Jersey, and died Oct. 14, 1934 in S. English, Iowa (Information supplied by Mr. and Mrs. John Burton Hohenshell, Rt. 2, Brownsville, Texas. Mrs. Hohenshell's prompt, informative help has been a great encouragement to the compiler.)

198 - George William Hohenshell, born April 30, 1895, died Sept. 3, 1914. Buried in Sorden Cemetery
199 + John Burton Hohenshell, born May 15, 1899
200 + Ruth Lucille Hohenshell, born Sept. 9, 1901
201 + Ted Hiawatha Huff Hohenshell, born July 9, 1905
202 + Gerald Lucas Schreiner, born Jan. 26, 1912

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LOU ANNA FRY (Jenette[72], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Jenette Higgins and Perry Henry Fry, born August 22, 1888. Married, Feb. 1, 1916, CHARLES ROLAND SPRAGUE, son of

Charles Roland Sprague died March 4, 1943, is buried in the South English, Iowa, Cemetery. Information supplied by Mrs. Loulie Sprague and daughter, Doris, who also helped with the information about Elsie Lillie Fry Hohenshell and Lafayette Higgins' descendants).

203 - Doris Lorain Sprague, born Jan. 16, 1918
Present address: Wellman, Iowa

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LOTTIE HIGGINS (Lafayette[73], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Lafayette Higgins and Sarah Elizabeth ("Pet") Brannan; born July 11, 1888 in Des Moines, Iowa. Single in 1954
Present address: 3523 University Ave., Apt. 11B, Des Moines 11, Iowa

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BURDETTE HIGGINS (Lafayette[73], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26] Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Lafayette Higgins, Sr. and Sarah Elizabeth Brannan; born January 20, 1890 in Des Moines, Iowa; married, on April 13, 1918, in Rockford, Ill., MARGARET GOODWIN, daughter of Tom Goodwin and Addie Thompson. Margaret was born June 28, 1895 in Grand Junction, Iowa and died Oct. 26, 1949 in Des Moines, Iowa; buried in Des Moines.

204 - Tom Goodwin Higgins, born Sept. 19, 1919, in Des Moines, Iowa. Married, March 26, 1950 in Des Moines, Iowa, ANNA MARIE BENTLEY, daughter of Walter Cleveland Bentley and Bernice Marie Bevington. Anna Marie was born August 23, 1920 in Des Moines, Iowa

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LAFAYETTE HIGGINS, JR. (Lafayette, Sr.[73], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Lafayette Higgins, Sr. and Sarah Elizabeth Brannan; born June 26, 1896 in Des Moines, Iowa; married (a) August 31, 1918, in Des Moines, Iowa, SUSAN PARRISH, daughter of Robert L. Parrish and Himena Hoffman. Susan was born Dec. 27, 1896 in Leon, Iowa. Marriage ended in divorce in early part of 1934. (b) MRS. RUTH SANBORN, daughter of
At present (1954) Lafayette, Jr. and wife are in Thailand

205 - Marjorie Jane Higgins, born June 22, 1926 in Barranquilla, Colombia, S.A. Married, Dec. 8, 1944 in New York, N. Y. to WILLIAM B. GULICK, son of William McKee Gulick and Bessie Dorsey. Wm. B. Gulick was born March 27, 1916, in

206 + John Parrish Higgins, born Nov. 16, 1930 in Des Moines, Iowa
207 - Nancy Ann Higgins, born January 21, 1936, Des Moines, Iowa

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EDNA PEARL BOWER (Elfie Wren Higgins Bower[75], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Elfie Wren Higgins and Everett Bower, born March 17, 1904 on farm 2 miles west of South English, Iowa; married, on November 25, 1921, at Ottumwa, Iowa, ILO THOMAS REINIER, son of Hugh A. Reinier (born June 30, 1873, Wapello Co., Iowa and died Jan. 8, 1943, Rock Creek, Iowa) and Stella Mary Rooker Reinier (born June 4, 1878 in Hedrick, Keokuk Co., Iowa). Ilo Thomas Reinier was born December 4, 1901 in Keokuk Co., Iowa (He is a second cousin of Nellie Mae Reinier Higgins, wife of Warren Clyde Higgins[91]).

208 + Gilbert Ilo Reinier, born Jan. 3, 1923 in Keokuk Co., Iowa
209 - Elfie Mae Reinier, born April 30, 1925, Keokuk Co., Iowa
died October 2, 1925, " " "
210 + Florence Lorene Reinier, born October 2, 1926, Iowa Co., Iowa
211 - Norma Lucille Reinier, born March 1, 1932, Iowa Co., Iowa
died Nov. 2, 1932
212 - Charles Emmet Reinier, born March 11, 1939, Muscatine Co., Iowa

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LELAND PEARL BOWER (Elfie Wren Higgins Bower[75], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Elfie Wren Higgins and Everett Bower, born November 23, 1905, near South English, Iowa. Married, on July 19, 1930, MURIEL WRIGHT, daughter of Arthur Edward Wright (born April 14, 1886 in England, died June 24, 1951), and Margaret Mary Evans (born Nov. 18, 1888, South Wales, G.B., married Nov. 27, 1909). Muriel was born April 21, 1911
Leland served 42 months in World War II. Muriel's father died in England and was buried on July 6, 1951 in Kansas City, Kansas.

213 - Carol Lee Bower, born October 4, 1944

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LEVI LINDEN BOWER (Elfie Wren[75], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26] Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Elfie Wren Higgins and Everett Bower; born June 28, 1908 on farm 2 miles west of South English, Iowa. Married, Oct. 10, 1934, ILA MURIAL GOSNEY, daughter of Albert Gosney (born June 16, 1873, died Dec. 17, 1951) and Lilie Nave Parker Gosney (born July 23, 1878. Ila was born March 30, 1909 in Ottumwa, Iowa

214 + Lynn Stanley Bower, born July 6, 1935 near South English, Iowa
215 - Louella Louise Bower, born Oct. 2, 1936 " " "
216 - Albert Everett Bower, born Feb. 17, 1940, Ottumwa Hospital, Ottumwa, Iowa
217 - Nancy Norene Bower, born March 8, 1945, Sigourney Hospital, Sigourney, Ia.

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CARL WILMER BOWER (Elfie Wren[75], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26] Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Elfie Wren Higgins and Everett Bower, born June 2, 1910, two miles west of South English, Iowa. Married, on June 2, 1929, GLADYS MARGARETTE FUNKE, daughter of Benjamin Funke (born Jan. 7, 1872, died April 14, 1935) and Marie Edith Bretsnider Funke (born Jan. 4, 1885, died June 6, 1948). Gladys was born Nov. 24, 1904 in

218 + Gene Wilmer Bower, born Nov. 6, 1930
219 + Jo Ann Bower, born April 4, 1933
220 - Larry Lee Bower, born Oct. 26, 1937

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LEWIS DECATUR BOWER (Elfie Wren[75], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Elfie Wren Higgins and Everett Bower, born Feb. 22, 1914 on farm 2 miles west of South English, Iowa. Married, Jan. 1, 1939, in Muscatine, Iowa, ARLENE OPAL GLANDON, daughter of Loran R. Glandon (born July 23, 1895) and Ella May White Glandon (born May 3, 1900). Arlene Glandon was born Sept. 20, 1920 near South English, Iowa. (Further information about Glandon family in "History of Keokuk County," page 783).

221 - Karen Ann Bower, born August 18, 1944

ELEVENTH GENERATION

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JACKIE BLAIR STROUP (Sarah Ellen Seaman Stroup[89], Myrick Higgins Seaman[65], Sarah Jane Higgins Seaman[53], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Sarah Ellen Seaman and Harry Earl Stroup, born Sept. 3, 1927, in Hillard, Missouri. Married, on Nov. 21, 1951, EMMA RUTH
daughter of
Emma Ruth was born Sept. 21, 1930 in Chicago, Illinois

222 - Sandra Jean Stroup, born Sept. 5, 1953, Missouri Baptist Hosp., St. Louis, Missouri
223 - Michael Blair Stroup, born June 23, 1954, K.C.O.S. Hospital, Kirksville, Missouri

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JOYCE NADINE STROUP (Sarah Ellen Seaman Stroup[89], Myrick Higgins Seaman[65], Sarah Jane Higgins Seaman[53], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Sarah Ellen Seaman and Harry Earl Stroup, born Jan. 31, 1930 in Virgil, Kansas. Married, Nov. 26, 1954, PHILIP STOMBERG, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stomberg of Minneapolis. Carl was born
At the time of the Stroup-Stomberg wedding, the following appeared in (I think) a Kirksville newspaper: "Announcement has been made by Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Stroup of St. Louis, who formerly lived in Kirksville, of the engagement of their daughter, Joyce Stroup, to Phil Stomberg of Minneapolis. Wedding Nov. 26, 1954. Joyce is a former Kirksville State College student and a member of Alpha Sigma Alpha and Beta Sigma Phi sororities. For past three years has been air hostess for Braniff Airlines, resides in Kansas City. Niece of Mrs. Jennie Smallwood of 805 S. 6th. Mr. Stomberg is son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stomberg of Minneapolis, and is superintendant of radio division of Minnesota Air Motive, Inc., at Wold Chamberlain Field, Minneapolis.

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WILSON WARREN HIGGINS (Warren Clyde[91], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Warren Clyde Higgins and Nellie Mae Reinier; born June 13, 1909, near Keswick, Iowa; married, on Nov. 8, 1943, in Brooklyn, Iowa, JUNE IRENE MITTMAN, daughter of Fred C. Mittman and Emma Gorman. June was born June 13, 1918 at Muscatine, Iowa

225 - Fred David Higgins, born October 29, 1944, South English, Iowa
226 - Michael Dean Higgins, born December 31, 1945, Keswick, Iowa
227 - Linda Sue Higgins, born November 7, 1947, Keswick, Iowa
228 - Julie Elain Higgins, born January 15, 1950, Keswick, Iowa
229 - Tracy Diane Higgins, born September 12, 1954

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ELSIE FAYE HIGGINS (Warren Clyde[91], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33] Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Warren Clyde Higgins and Nellie Mae Reinier; born Feb. 27, 1911, near Keswick, Iowa. Married, on October26, 1932, at Mt. Carroll, Ill., ELWOOD WILLIAM WENDEL, son of Gus Wendel and Louise Marie Khraling. Elwood was born May 19, 1914 at Watkins, Iowa

230 - Billy Lee Wendel, born May 12, 1933, Newhall, Iowa
231 - Shirley May Wendel, born August 15, 1935, Newhall, Iowa
232 - Janice Kay Wendel, born Sept. 12, 1937, Newhall, Iowa
233 - Richard Elwood Wendel, born Feb. 24, 1941, Newhall, Iowa

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MAMIE MARGURETE HIGGINS (Warren Clyde[91], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Warren Clyde Higgins and Nellie Mae Reinier; born November 11, 1912, near Keswick, Iowa. Married, on January 1, 1934, at Sigourney, Iowa, LEROY ADAM ROWE, son of Charles L. Rowe and Ora Gertrude Rowe. Leroy refuses to reveal his birth date.

234 - Duane Oliver Rowe, July 3, 1934, Kinross, Iowa
235 - Betty Jean Rowe, born November 4, 1935, Kinross, Iowa
236 - Terry Lee Rowe, born April 17, 1938, Kinross, Iowa
237 - Charles Lynn Rowe, born October 6, 1941, Kinross, Iowa

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VELMA RUTH HIGGINS (Warren Clyde[91], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33] Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Warren Clyde Higgins and Nellie Mae Reinier; born November 26, 1913, near Keswick, Iowa. Married, on Oct. 3, 1930, in Sigourney, Iowa, JOSEPH PETER RUPLINGER, son of John Ruplinger and Elizabeth Ruplinger. Joseph Peter Ruplinger was born December 12, 1912, at Harper, Iowa

238 + Patricia Ann Ruplinger, born April 11, 1931, South English, Iowa
239 - Donald Dean Ruplinger, born September 24, 1934, South English, Iowa

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ALBERT HALE HIGGINS (Warren Clyde[91], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33] Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Warren Clyde Higgins and Nellie Mae Reinier, born August 18, 1916, near South English, Iowa. Married, on Jan. 24, 1943, in Lancaster, Missouri, VEONA GRACE McMAINS, daughter of Robert James McMains and Anna Otella Remork. Veona was born April 26, 1923 at Barnes City, Iowa

240 - Robert Hale Higgins, born February 19, 1945, South English, Iowa
241 - Deborah Ann Higgins, born April 11, 1947, " " "

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STANLEY RAYMOND PRICE (Edna Higgins Price[92], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Edna Higgins and Henry Marten Price; born May 31, 1908, at Keswick, Iowa. Married, on September 9, 1937, at Niles, Michigan, VERDA HARRISON, daughter of L. Leroy Harrison and Anne Crawford. Verda was born April 5, 1911, at Niles, Michigan

242 - Tommy Harrison Price, born December 23, 1940, at South Bend, Indiana
243 - Ann Catherine Price, born June 2, 1943, " " "

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HENRY VERNON PRICE (Edna Higgins Price[92], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Edna Higgins and Henry Marten Price; born Feb. 23, 1910 at Keswick, Iowa; married, on April 1, 1934, in South English, Iowa, MARY MARGARET SLATE, daughter of Bort Slate and Martha Evans. Mary Margaret was born near South English, Iowa, on Feb. 28, 1912

244 - John Marten Price, born June 12, 1936, Iowa City, Iowa
245 - Robert Vernon Price, born April 16, 1939, Iowa City, Iowa
246 - Margaret Ann Price, born March 4, 1951, Iowa City, Iowa

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MAXINE NATALIE HIGGINS (Ralph Waldo Higgins[93], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Ralph Waldo Higgins and Lula Hawk; born Sept. 27, 1913, near Keswick, Iowa. Married, on June 16, 1938, in Trenton, Missouri, DWIGHT WILLIAM MILLIKIN, son of Arthur William Millikin and Estella Palmer. Dwight was born March 23, 1913, near Hedrick, Iowa

247 - Harlan Dwight Millikin, born April 7, 1939, near Hedrick, Iowa
248 - Donald Ralph Millikin, born November 28, 1942, " "
249 - Arthur William Millikin, born June 5, 1952 " "

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SARA MARTHA HIGGINS (Ralph Waldo Higgins[93], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Ralph Waldo Higgins and Lula Hawk; born March 5, 1917, near Keswick, Iowa; married, July 6, 1940, at Kirksville, Missouri, PAUL ROBERT PERKINS, son of Clarence Perkins and Maude Ahrens. Paul was born August 17, 1914, at Oskaloosa, Iowa

250 - Allen Paul Perkins, born January 14, 1945, Fremont, Iowa

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MARCIA MILDRED HIGGINS (Ralph Waldo Higgins[93], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Ralph Waldo Higgins and Lula Hawk; born January 10, 1921 in Hedrick, Iowa. Married, August 16, 1942, in Lancaster, Missouri, KENNETH JOHN ANDREW KADEL, son of Elmer Kadel and Edith Shrader. Kenneth was born January 12, 1921 near Sigourney, Iowa

251 - Sandra Kay Kadel, born March 18, 1948 in Sigourney, Iowa

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EVALYN IRENE GROSS (Adda Higgins Gross[94], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Adda Higgins and Mortimer Elton Gross; born August 22, 1909, near Keswick, Iowa. Married, on August 25, 1932, in Lancaster, Missouri, EDSON S. ADUDDELL, son of Howard Franklin Aduddell and Florence Miller. Edson was born Feb. 1, 1909 at Cambridge, Nebraska

252 + Patricia Ann Aduddell, born January 6, 1935 in Keswick, Iowa

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CARL MORTIMER GROSS (Adda Higgins Gross[94], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Adda Higgins and Mortimer Elton Gross; born December 13, 1911, Keswick, Iowa; died Feb. 5, 1945, Keswick, Iowa; buried Sorden Cemetery (?); married, on Feb. 14, 1937 at Fayette, Iowa, KATHERINE GRACE OSTRANDER, daughter of Clyde Ostrander and Katherine Parker. Katherine Grace Ostrander was born Sept. 27, 1912 at Fayette, Iowa

253 - Max Eugene Gross, born March 1, 1940, Deep River, Iowa
254 - Loel Carl Gross, born November 15, 1942, Deep River, Iowa

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ALBERT EUGENE GROSS (Adda Higgins Gross[94], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Adda Higgins and Mortimer Elton Gross; born December 18, 1921 at Keswick, Iowa; married, on Dec. 19, 1945, at Prestonsburg, Kentucky, FREDA ALENE BUNTING, daughter of William V. Bunting and Thelma Ellis. Freda was born January 12, 1919 in Prestonsburg, Kentucky

255 - Albert William Gross, born June 14, 1950 in Lexington, Kentucky
256 - Mary Martha Gross, born May 11, 1955, " "

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HOMER HALE WILSON (Dora Higgins Wilson[95], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Dora Higgins and Edgar Hylrea Wilson. Homer was born February 6, 1916 near Thornburg, Iowa; married, on April 5, 1941, at Williamsburg, Iowa, VELMA LUCILLE FURNEY, daughter of Marion Furney and Matilda Churkey. Velma was born June 16, 1915 near Keswick, Iowa.

257 - James Paul Wilson, born January 5, 1943, Victor, Iowa
258 - Keith Marion Wilson, born May 4, 1954 "

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FREEDA LECTA MOORE (May Higgins Moore[96], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of May Higgins and Sidney Ephraim Moore; born January 31, 1914, near Thornburg, Iowa; married, on April 7, 1939, at Yarmouth, Iowa, CHARLES HENRY BECK, son of Henry Beck and Laura Beck. Charles was born June 11, 1913 at Yarmouth, Iowa

259 - David Charles Beck, born October 8, 1942 at Morning Sun, Iowa
260 - Kathie Jo Beck, born March 19, 1950 at " " "

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SIDNEY DALE MOORE (May Higgins Moore[96], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of May Higgins and Sidney Ephraim Moore; born November 30, 1916, at Thornburg, Iowa; married, on Feb. 25, 1939 at Gibson, Iowa, AGNES CHARLOTTE PENDLETON, daughter of George Pendleton and Clara Allison. Agnes was born October 14, 1917 at Thornburg, Iowa

261 - Peggy Joyce Moore, born April 30, 1940, Thornburg, Iowa
262 - Thomas Sidney Moore, born January 14, 1945, Thornburg, Iowa
263 - John Dale Moore, born June 17, 1951, Thornburg, Iowa

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DAVID HALE MOORE (May Higgins Moore[96], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of May Higgins and Sidney Ephraim Moore; born October 2, 1920 near Thornburg, Iowa; married, on January 14, 1942, at Unionsville, Missouri, ANNA BELLE BROWER, daughter of Cecil Brower and Selma Lester. Anna Belle was born August 31, 1925 at What Cheer, Iowa

264 - Larry Alan Moore, born September 8, 1942, Thornburg, Iowa
265 - Sandra Sue Moore, born February 11, 1944, What Cheer, Iowa

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JOAN MOORE (May Higgins Moore[96], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of May Higgins and Sidney Ephraim Moore, born June 20, 1924 at Thornburg, Iowa; married, on August 4, 1945, at Marshalltown, Iowa, KERMIT DEAN HOTOPP, son of Verle Hotopp and Irene Applegate. Kermit was born April 17, 1924, near Union, Iowa.

266 - Sidney Dean Hotopp, born November 8, 1946, Union, Iowa
267 - Rodney Verle Hotopp, born February 3, 1949, Union, Iowa

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MARGIE MAE HIGGINS (Fred Forrest Higgins[97], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Fred Forrest Higgins and Ammi Nora Davis; born June 14, 1917 at Thornburg, Iowa; married, on September 8, 1940, at Spokane, Washington, WILLIAM DONALD COLEMAN, son of William E. Coleman and Emma Cross. William was born in Seattle, Washington, on April 24, 1916.

268 - Coleen Emma Coleman, born May 24, 1945
269 - Marcia Ammi Coleman, born March 4, 1949
270 - William Donald Coleman, Jr., born June 11, 1955

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FORREST FRED HIGGINS (Fred Forrest Higgins[97], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Fred Forrest Higgins and Ammi Nora Davis; born February 11, 1921, in Clayton, Washington; married, on February 21, 1942, at Curlow, Washington, BEVERLY FERGUSON, daughter of Ralph and Peggy Ferguson. Beverly was born on April 16, 1926 at Curlow, Washington

271 - Patricia Carol Higgins, born September 26, 1942 in Seattle, Washington

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OLIVER HALE HIGGINS (Fred Forrest Higgins[97], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Fred Forrest Higgins and Ammi Nora Davis; born March 9, 1923, in Clayton, Washington; married, on Feb. 1, 1950, at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, LUCILE GORDON, who was born August 10, 1924, at Newport, Washington, daughter of Ralph Gordon and Ethel Ross Gordon

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FRED RAY HIGGINS (Fred Forrest Higgins[97], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Fred Forrest Higgins and Ammi Nora Davis; born December 27, 1925, in Clayton, Washington; married, on June 6, 1949, in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, BETTY RAINS, daughter of Jim (James?) Rains and Mae Rains. Betty Rains was born August 11, 1932, at Springdale, Wash.

272 - Lois Elaine Higgins, born December 15, 1950, Chelwelah, Washington
273 - Larry Eugene Higgins, born June 24, 1952, " "
274 - Sandra Kay Higgins, born November 18, 1953 " "

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HARRIET JOSEPHINE HIGGINS (Joseph Fosse Higgins[100], Joseph Rubins Higgins[69], Warren[55] Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Joseph Fosse Higgins and Ruby Rose Green; born May 25, 1912 in Keokuk Co., Iowa; married, on November 28, 1948, in Keokuk Co., Iowa, PAUL JOHN DRAPER, JR., son of Paul John Draper, Sr., and Lillian Oettner. P. J. Draper, Jr. was born Oct. 17, 1907 in New York City. Present address: 5137 Marathon Parkway, Little Neck, N. Y.

275 - Elizabeth Ann Draper, born March 22, 1950 in New York, N. Y.

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ELIZABETH LOUISE HIGGINS (Joseph Fosse Higgins[100], Joseph Rubins Higgins[69], Warren[55] Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Joseph Fosse Higgins and Ruby Rose Green; born October 8, 1921 in Keokuk Co., Iowa; married, on January 1, 1944, in the Army Post Chapel in Quantico, Virginia, to 2nd Lt.CLAUDE HAROLD VEENKER, son of Ralph R. and Fannie Casjens Veenker. "Hal" Veenker was born July 31, 1919 at George, Iowa. Present address: University Apts., E-29, Bloomington, Indiana; Mr. Veenker is teaching in the Bloomington schools.

276 - Jo Lee Veenker, born June 29, 1953 in Mason City, Iowa

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ANNE FARRELL HIGGINS (Floyd Halleck[101], Joseph Rubins[69], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37] Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Floyd Halleck Higgins and Mary Marcella McAuley; born Sept. 12, 1917, Chicago, Ill. Married, December 22, 1938, St. Leo's Church, Oakland, Calif. (Fr. Philip Ryan officiating), CLARENCE LESLIE WOOD, son of Frank and Cora May Johnson Wood. Clarence was born in Sanger, Calif., January 6, 1911. He and Anne are both graduates of the University of California in Berkeley, he with a B.S. in chemistry, she with A.B. in biochemistry. He is employed by Caltex (Philippines) Inc., and they have been living in Batangas, Batangas, Philippines, since July, 1953. Mailing address: c/o Caltex (Philippines) Inc., 91 Plaza Moraga, Manila, Philippines

277 - Stephen Clarence Wood, born October 3, 1941, Berkeley, Calif.
278 - Andrew Wood, born Sept. 18, 1942, Albany, Calif.
died Sept. 19, 1942, Albany, Calif.
buried St. Joseph's Cemetery, San Pablo, Calif.

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JOHN HALLECK STANTON HIGGINS (Floyd Halleck[101], Joseph Rubins[69], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Floyd Halleck Higgins and Mary Marcella McAuley; born Nov. 10, 1923, Chicago, Ill. Married, June 18, 1949, in Oakland, Calif., PATRICIA KATHERINE DEVITT, daughter of Louis Arthur Devitt and Susan Magdalene Kramer. Patricia was born Nov. 21, 1924 in St. Paul, Minn. Present address: 90 Grand View Place, Walnut Creek, Calif.

281 - John Halleck Higgins, born Oakland, California, April 7, 1951
282 - James Louis Higgins, " " " January 12, 1953
283 - Paul Warren Higgins, " February 17, 1954
284 - Patrick Sean Higgins, " August 9, 1955

John Halleck Stanton Higgins is a veteran of World War II, having served in the European theater of operations as a member of the Signal Corps. Patricia Higgins was a member of the WAVES.

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MARY RAECHEL HIGGINS (Leo McBride Higgins[103], Joseph Rubins[69], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Leo McBride Higgins and Grizelda A. Schultz, was born August 14, 1917, in Webster, Iowa; married, on January 11, 1942, in Webster, Iowa, EDGAR JOHN JACOB AXMEAR, son of Clara Price and William C. Axmear. Edgar was born Nov. 13, 1916, in Keokuk Co., Iowa. He was a member of the U. S. Navy during World War II and served in the Pacific Theater of operations.

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JO ANNE HIGGINS (Leo McBride Higgins[103], Joseph Rubins[69], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37] Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Leo McBride and Grizelda A. Schultz, was born Sept. 29, 1918, in Webster, Iowa; married (1) Donovan Hart; (2) George Betts; (3) Frederick Eastwood; all marriages ended in divorce; no children.

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DON HALLECK MESSENGER (Guy Messenger[104], Effie Higgins Messenger[70], Warren[55], Myrick[45] Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Guy Messenger and Abbie Ellen O'Brien, was born on November 24, 1910 in Sigourney, Iowa; married (1) on August 26, 1939 in Glendale, California, MARCIA DE BARTOLA, daughter of Nina Antico and de Bartola; both Marcia's parents were born in Italy; Marcia de Bartola was born on March 22, 1916, in Los Angeles, Calif. (2) on August 10, 1946, DORIS JEAN REPLOGLE, daughter of
Doris was born in Iowa on . Don and family now living in Des Moines, Iowa

285 - Sheila Marcia Leilani Messenger, born January 13, 1943, Santa Monica, Cal

286 - Steven Messenger, born October 4, 1947, Santa Monica, Calif.
287 - Steffanie Messenger, born October 4, 1947, " "

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ELLEN PAULA MESSENGER (Guy Messenger[104], Effie Higgins Messenger[70], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Guy Messenger and Abbie Ellen O'Brien, was born October 7, 1914 in Keswick, Iowa married, on Dec. 22, 1947, in Santa Ana, Calif., ARTHUR ROBERT ROBERGE, son of Arthur J. Roberge and Rose Louella Phillips; he was born on May 20, 1914 in La Crosse, Wisconsin.

288 - Anita Marie Roberge, born Dec. 7, 1948, La Crosse, Wisconsin

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DANNIE O'BRIEN MESSENGER (Guy Messenger[104], Effie Higgins Messenger[70], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]) son of Guy Messenger and Abbie Ellen O'Brien, was born Nov. 18, 1923, in Keswick, Iowa; married, on April 3, 1948, in Washington, D. C., EVA JOSEPHINE BLACKSTOCK, daughter of Thomas Washington Mathis Blackstock and Ola Mae Proctor. Eva was born October 17, 1925, in Birmingham, Alabama.

289 - Leola Kathleen Messenger, born October 4, 1950, Santa Monica, Calif.
290 - Glen Ollis Messenger, born September 17, 1952, " " "
291 - Joella Lynne Messenger, born October 23, 1953, " " "

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MARGARET ELIZABETH SMITH (Opal Messenger Smith[105], Effie Higgins Messenger[70], Warren[55] Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Opal Messenger and Fred Maurice Smith, was born Sept. 1, 1919 in Keokuk Co., Iowa; married, on May 23, 1942, RICHARD CARL SCHMIDT, son of John Elhart Schmidt and Treva Ester Smith; Richard Carl Schmidt was born Oct. 8, 1920 in Martinsburg, Ia.

292 - Carla Sue Schmidt, born February 13, 1944, Oskaloosa, Iowa
293 - Loren Leroy Schmidt, born July 24, 1946, Sigourney, Iowa
294 - Deborah Ann Schmidt, born June 21, 1947, " "
295 - Richard Carl Schmidt II, born January 14, 1949, Sigourney, Iowa
296 - Fred Mark Schmidt, born December 31, 1949, " "

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NORMA LOUISE SMITH (Opal Messenger Smith[105], Effie Higgins Messenger[70], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Fred Maurice Smith and Opal Messenger, was born June 22, 1922 in Keokuk Co., Iowa; married, on August 17, 1941, in , KENNETH GORDON DE BOUT, son of Tunis DeBout and Edith Jennie Jordan; Kenneth was born May 22, 1920 in Hillersburg, Iowa

297 - Kenneth Gordon DeBout, Jr., born February 12, 1943, Wichita Falls, Texas
298 - Kathy Jolene DeBout, born February 22, 1948, Ottumwa, Iowa
299 - Karyn Janson DeBout, born February 24, 1951, " "
300 - Kim Rodger DeBout, born April 21, 1955, " "

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PHYLLIS ANN SMITH (Opal Messenger Smith[105], Effie Higgins Messenger[70], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Fred Maurice Smith and Opal Messenger, was born October 27, 1925, in Keokuk Co., Iowa; married, on , in , HAROLD LYLE BARBER, son of Alva Earl Barber and Myrtle Leone Grafft. Harold was born October 19, 1923, in Anamosa, Iowa. Present address: 886 - 12th St., Marion, Iowa

301 - Cheryl Louise Barber, born March 6, 1945, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
302 - Jeanna Lee Barber, born January 1, 1949, " " "

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CHESTER WELLINGTON WILSON (Zoe Ellen Higgins Wilson[107], Delano[71], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Zoe Ellen Higgins and Charles Wesley Wilson; born December 5, 1924, west of Keswick, Iowa; married, on June 7, 1952, in ROSALINE FLORA HOLLAND, daughter of

Rosaline was born

303 - Patricia Ann Wilson, born December 27, 1953, in

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KEITH HIGGINS WILSON (Zoe Ellen Higgins Wilson[107], Dolano[71], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Zoe Ellen Higgins and Charles Wesley Wilson; born May 14, 1927, west of Keswick, Iowa; married, on January 29, 1950, in MARVEEN FRANCIS JOHNSON, daughter of Marveen was born

304 - Phyllis Jean Wilson, born May 23, 1952, in

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NORMA BETH HIGGINS (Mahlon[108], Dolano[71], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Mahlon Dewey Higgins and Leona Mae Shirlaw; born November 22, 1927, in Keokuk Co., Iowa; married, on Dec. 20, 1947, in Keswick, Iowa, KENNETH MORRISON, son of

305 - Gary Brent Morrison, born August 30, 1952, Anamosa Hospital, Iowa

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JOHN BURTON HOHENSHELL ((Elsie Lillie Fry Hohenshell[110], Jenette[72], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Elsie Lillie Fry and Charles Cameron Hohenshell; born May 15, 1899, North English, Iowa Co., Iowa; married, on June 4, 1919, in Sigourney, Iowa, ONA IRENE SCHAUFF, daughter of Mary Elizabeth Kolosik and Charles Henry Schauff. Ona was born Sept. 26, 1899 in North English, Iowa. Present address: Mr. and Mrs. Burton Hohenshell, Rt. 2, Box 507, Brownsville, Texas

306 - Charles Keith Hohenshell, born and died Dec. 19, 1920, Millersburg, Iowa
307 - Wilma June Hohenshell, born June 17, 1924, South English, Iowa
Married, at Junction City, Kansas, Nov. 18, 1944, Lonnie William Bishop, son of John Lafayette Bishop and Lily Virginia Graves

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RUTH LUCILLE HOHENSHELL (Elsie Fry Hohenshell[110], Jenette[72], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Elsie Lillie Fry and Charles Cameron Hohenshell; born Sept. 9, 1901, in White Pigeon, Iowa; married (1) on Feb. 22, 1920, in South English, Iowa, ORVILLE O. MURRAY, son of Rolf Campbell Murray and Fannie Josephine Williams; Orville was born Dec. 22, 1893, in Seneca, Kansas, and died Jan. 25, 1934, at Lawrence, Kansas; Ruth married (2) JOHN SPIEGEL, on August 20, 1936, in Lawrence, Kansas. He is the son of Addie Pearl and Joseph Spiegel, and was born Feb. 11, 1895 at Logan, Kansas.

308 + Vera Lucille Murray, born Feb. 4, 1921, San Bonito, Texas
309 + Ona Faye Murray, born Jan. 13, 1923, " " "
310 + Verl Orvis Murray, born Nov. 26, 1925, " " "
311 - Lola Irene Murray, born Feb. 5, 1928, " " "
312 - Ralph Charles Murray, born Nov. 28, 1933, Baldwin City, Texas

313 - John Edward Spiegel, born Feb. 11, 1938, San Benito, Texas
314 - Shirley Ann Spiegel, born March 16, 1940, " " "
315 - Joyce Ella Spiegel, born July 22, 1941, " " "

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TEX HIAWATHA HUFF HOHENSHELL (Elsie Fry Hohenshell[110], Jenette[72], Decatur[56], Myrick[45] Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Elsie Lillie Fry and Charles Cameron Hohenshell; born July 9, 1905 in Keokuk Co., Iowa; married, on April 9, 1932, in , ALMA MAOMI DUFFIELD, daughter of Omer Baccus Duffield and Emma Louise Parchert; Alma was born March 13, 1911 in

316 - Douglas Charles Hohenshell, born Sept. 24, 1937, San Benito, Texas

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GERALD LUCAS SCHREINER (Elsie Fry Schreiner[110], Jenette[72], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Elsie Lillie Fry and George Washington Schreiner; born in Keokuk, Iowa on January 26, 1912; married, on Sept. 10, 1934, in Mystic, Iowa, NONDIS FARRAND, daughter of Maud Margaret Huxford and Arthur Everdale Farrand. Nondis was born Sept. 12, 1916 in South English, Iowa

317 - Shirley Margaret Schreiner, born July 15, 1935, South English, Iowa
318 - George Arthur Schreiner, born Jan. 3, 1937, San Benito, Texas
319 - Gerald Lee Schreiner, born July 31, 1939, Iowa City, Iowa
320 - James William Schreiner, born Nov. 19, 1941, Iowa City, Iowa
321 - Bonda Sue Schreiner, born April 19, 1944, Montezuma, Iowa
322 - Bruce Stephen Schreiner, born Sept. 7, 1947, " "
323 - Norma Haloen Schreiner, born Sept. 24, 1949, " "
324 - Murray Owen Schreiner, born July 1, 1952, Booneville, Missouri
325 - Gregory Burton Schreiner, born Nov. 9, 1954, San Benito, Texas

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JOHN PARRISH HIGGINS (Lafayette Higgins, Jr.[114], Lafayette, Sr.[73], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Lafayette Higgins, Jr. and Susan Parrish, was born Nov. 16, 1930 in Des Moines, Iowa; married, on April 9, 1941, in Rock Island, Ill., BARBARA ANN BARNES, daughter of William Sherman Barnes and Katherine Elizabeth McDonnell; Barbara was born June 13, 1930, in Des Moines, Iowa

326 - Karen Ann Higgins, born February 21, 1950, Des Moines, Iowa

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GILBERT ILO REINIER (Edna Pearl Bower Reinier[115], Elfie Iron Higgins Bower[75], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]) son of Edna Pearl Bower and Ilo Thomas Reinier, was born January 3, 1923 in Keokuk Co., Iowa; married (1) on Sept. 1, 1941, in Lancaster, Missouri, EVELYN MARIE BROADSTONE, daughter of E. J. Broadstone (b. April 27, 1895, Poweshiek Co., Iowa) and Nellie Downey (born August 3, 1895, Muscatine, Iowa); Evelyn was born March 15, 1925

and died September 7, 1947; she is buried in Muscatine, Iowa; (2) PHYLLIS GLENDOLA HULE, on July 7, 1948. Phyllis is the daughter of
and was born

327 - Sandra Jo Reinier, born March 28, 1942, in
328 - Gary Lee Reinier, born November 13, 1943
329 - Steven Craig Reinier, born August 11, 1947

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FLORENCE LORENE REINIER (Edna Pearl Bower Reinier[115], Elfie Wren Higgins Bower[75], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]) daughter of Edna Pearl Bower and Ilo Thomas Reinier, was born October 2, 1926 in Iowa County, Iowa; married, on August 1, 1953, WENDELL LYLE HILDERBRANT, son of Lyle Hilderbrant (born May 24, 1905) and Lila Hinlermister (born Dec. 18, 1906); Wendell was born in Muscatine, Iowa, on February 5, 1927

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LYNN STANLEY BOWER (Levi Linden Bower[117], Elfie Wren Higgins Bower[75], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Levi Linden Bower and Ila Murial Gosney; born July 6, 1935 on farm 2 miles west of South English, Iowa. Married, on April 16, 1955, in St. Peter and Paul Catholic church, Clear Creek, Iowa, MARJORIE ANN PEIFER, daughter of August Peiffer and . The ceremony was performed by Msgr. K. J. Peiffer of Harper, uncle of the bride.

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GENE WILMER BOWER (Carl Wilmer Bower[118], Elfie Wren[75], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37] Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Carl Wilmer Bower and Gladys Margarette Funke, born on November 6, 1930; married, on August 18, 1951, KATHENEYN IRENE DEAL, daughter of Robert Ellsworth Deal (born 1886) and Lydia Elizabeth Wright (born Nov. 30, 1885); Katheneyn was born Sept. 6, 1929

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JO ANN BOWER (Carl Wilmer Bower[118], Elfie Wren[75], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Carl Wilmer Bower and Gladys Margarette Funke, born on April 4, 1933 in
married, on May 15, 1954, in , to GEORGE KNAPP, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Knapp; George Knapp was born Sept. 20, 1924, in

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DUANE OLIVER ROWE (Mamie Margurete Higgins Rowe[155], Warren Clyde[91], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), son of Mamie Margurete Higgins and Leroy Adam Rowe; born July 3, 1934, in Kinross, Iowa; married, on June 12, 1955, in Cedar Falls, Iowa, VIRGINIA ULRICH, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Ulrich. Virginia was born

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PATRICIA ANN RUPLINGER (Velma Ruth Higgins[156], Warren Clyde[91], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Joseph Peter Ruplinger and Velma Ruth Higgins, born April 11, 1931, in South English, Iowa; married, on October 10, 1948, in Hillersburg, Iowa, CARL FREDRICK KLIPP, son of . Carl Klipp was born August 20, 1925, in North English, Iowa.

335 - Cheryl Kay Klipp was born March 3, 1952, South English, Iowa
336 - Gregory Carl Klipp, born February 5, 1955

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PATRICIA ANN ADUDDELL (Evalyn Irene Gross Aduddell[163], Adda Higgins Gross[94], Hale[68], Warren[55], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]) daughter of Edson S. Aduddell and Evalyn Irene Gross; born January 6, 1935, in Keswick, Iowa; married, on Nov. 28, 1953, in Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina, HOMER HEATER, JR., son of Homer Heater, Sr. and ; Homer, Jr. was born Dec. 11, 1934 at Burnsville, West Virginia.

337 - Kenneth Edson Heater, born June 7, 1954, in
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VERA LUCILE MURRAY (Ruth Lucile Hohenshell Murray[200], Elsie Fry Hohenshell[110], Jenette[72], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]), daughter of Ruth Lucile Hohenshell and Orville Orvis Murray; born Feb. 4, 1921 at San Benito, Cameron Co., Texas; married, on
JAMES MELVIN JONES, SR, son of
James was born January 1,

339 - James Melvin Jones, Jr., born February 3, 1940, San Benito, Texas
340 - Oran Orville Jones, born December 14, 1941, San Antonio, Texas
341 - Van Murray Jones, born September 30, 1945, Houston, Texas
342 - Edmond Verl Jones, born January 6, 1947, Houston, Texas
343 - Carol Lucile Jones, born July 14, 1948, Harlingen, Texas
344 - Melva Sue Jones, born September 4, 1950, Port Arthur, Texas

345 - Kenneth Charles Jones, born November 2, 1951, San Benito, Texas
346 - Carl Eugene Jones, born October 14, 1953, San Antonio, Texas
died October 14, 1953, " " "
347 - Robert Paul Jones, born October 18, 1954, " " "

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ONA FAYE MURRAY (Ruth Lucile Hohenshell Murray[200], Elsie Fry Hohenshell[110], Jenette[72] Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[3], Richard[1]) daughter of Ruth Lucile Hohenshell and Orville Orvis Murray; born January 13, 1923, in San Benito, Texas; married, on June 1, 1939, in San Benito, Texas, WILLIAM HAYDEN KERR, son of Maida Benting and Robert Randolph Kerr; William was born October 23, 1920 in

348 - William Randolph Kerr, born June 9, 1940, in San Benito, Texas
349 - Donette Lucyne Kerr, born February 9, 1943, Houston, Texas
350 - Cynda Lue Kerr, born December 13, 1945, in Houston, Texas

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VERL ORVIS MURRAY (Ruth Lucile Hohenshell Murray[200], Elsie Fry Hohenshell[110], Jenette[72], Decatur[56], Myrick[45], Joseph[37], Ebenezer[33], Ebenezer[26], Ichabod[13], Benjamin[1]), son of Ruth Lucile Hohenshell and Orville Orvis Murray; born November 26, 1925, in San Benito, Texas; married (1) on May 10, 1946, in Houston, Texas, MARY LEE SHERRILL, daughter of Cora Lee Chambers and Christopher Columbus Sherrill; Mary Lee was born April 10, 1928 in ; on November 22, 1953, ELLA DEAN TALLEY ELLINGTON BARNHART, daughter of Beulah Mae Fyle and Sidney Allen Talley; Ella was born March 12, 1927 in Raymondville, Texas

351 - Lynn Lee Murray, born December 25, 1947, Harlingen, Cameron Co., Texas
352 - Karen Irene Murray, born October 11, 1949, " " " "
353 - Chris Orvis Murray, born January 1, 1951, San Benito, "

INDIVIDUALS BEARING THE HALE HIGGINS BY BIRTH

(Numbers are those assigned to the individuals in the foregoing history, NOT pages).

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